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Pastor Eddleman of Lonoke, Ark. is available for meetings in part of the next three months.

The Baptist Record rejoices to carry the glad tidings of good meetings in which souls are saved. Write a line for the paper and tell about yours.

Dr. R. B. Garrett, for long pastor at Court St. Church, Portsmouth, Va., fell on sleep July 1st.

Pastor J. G. Gilmore of Oskyka has assisted in three meetings recently and has nine others ahead of him.

The health commissioner of New York City says there are 3,500 people in the United States over 100 years old.

The first automobile ever made is said to have been run first near Kokomo, Indiana 28 years ago. It is now a curiosity in the Smithsonian at Washington. Looks like a buggy.

Pastor J. C. Richardson of Forest has a daily vacation Bible school in his church running for two weeks. His teaching force is of home people. There are 80 pupils.

Dr. Quisenberry came back from Utica last week with \$675.00 for the Clinton church. The people seem glad to help build this church which will be a great denominational asset.

Dr. J. W. Provine and family are spending a short time of rest at Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly in North Carolina. This will enable him to participate in the Conference of Educators.

The Institute for Sunday School Teachers for Jones County will be held in Moselle, Miss., beginning the fourth Sunday in August and continuing through the following Friday.

An air route mail service goes from Cairo, Egypt to Bagdad beyond the Euphrates in ten hours. The route by rail and steamer takes about a month.

A pear tree in Danvers, Mass. planted in 1631 is said to be still bearing fruit. George Washington and Abraham Lincoln are said to have eaten fruit from it.

Alabama railroad commissioners have ordered the passenger fare reduced to three cents and mileage books for 100 miles sold at \$25.00. Effective Aug. 15.

If John D. Rockefeller lived in Mississippi he could not leave a cent to an benevolent or religious purpose in his will, because our constitution forbids. Surely there is something wrong when a man can will his property for any purpose under the sun except religion.

The Second Baptist Church, Jackson, has elected an Educational Director, in the person of Mr. H. Allan McMurrain, of Waco, Texas. He is on the ground and has entered upon his duties. His major work in the church will be with the BYPU's.

If the love of Christ will not make a man do it is certain that the signing of a church covenant will never do it. If he is dead to sin and alive to God no promises or pledges of "touch on him. The church that depends on a covenant

to get its members to live right, has abandoned the gospel of grace and returned to the law.

Pastor R. M. Inlow of Sedalia, Mo., is giving his people a good bill of fare for the hot months. For five successive Sundays he preaches on the Bible the Word of God, Inspired and Infallible; The Deity of Jesus Christ; Salvation through the Atoning Blood of Christ; The Resurrection of Jesus Christ; and the Second Coming of Our Lord.

Recently the Grace Memorial Church at Gulfport, Miss., held a successful revival meeting. Rev. A. L. O'Bryant of Hattiesburg did the preaching and Bro. Sproles of Clinton conducted the singing. There were eight or more additions to the church. Pastor P. S. Dodge and his people were greatly helped.

The Baptist Clip Sheet says that the Sunday School Board authorized the use of \$10,000 as a beginning to supply the blind with religious literature. The board will also place a Bible in every room of the 20 Baptist Hospitals in the South. The hospitals will be provided with booklets containing hymns, scripture verses and comments for 30 days, a booklet being given every patient in the hospital.

Mississippi Baptists will welcome to our gates for a while former Secretary J. B. Lawrence who delivers a series of addresses during the encampment next week at Hattiesburg. He wears the honors of a great pastorate and a college presidency worthily.

At the time of the election of Dr. F. E. Taylor to the presidency of the Northern Baptist Convention it was broadcasted that his election was a triumph of the "Liberal". Now it is said he resents such classification of himself, and asserts that he has always been a conservative in his theology and preaching, though declining to identify himself with fundamentalists.

Secretary R. B. Gunter spent about ten days resting and rusticating on a farm in Leake County and has just returned greatly revitalized, having his nerve battery recharged. He has a reputation of being a great fisherman. Look out for a few good yarns.

The program for the South Mississippi Assembly at the Womans College, Hattiesburg, is out and gives a very tempting bill of fare. But in addition to the speakers on the published program, the committee has secured Dr. W. W. Hamilton of New Orleans known and loved over the South as the former leader of the Evangelistic forces of the Home Board, now pastor of St. Charles Ave. Church in New Orleans.

We rejoice in the great business success of the Sunday School Board in Nashville. They have laid aside enough to start another great building, and have given to many denominational causes. The reason they can do this while state papers live by the skin of their teeth is that the Sunday School papers are paid for by the churches out of their budget. A word to the wise is sufficient.

Dr. J. M. Walker of Aberdeen reports results of the tent meeting at Quincy, conversions 30, baptized 22; interviews held 29, in which three were converted; calls made in homes of people 72;

miles traveled 250. A church was organized with 44 members and others will join next meeting. A pastor was called and salary provided without asking the Board for a cent. Brother Walker is doing this work without expense to the Convention Board.

Brother N. T. Tull who will teach classes in Church Finance at the two Mississippi Encampments and who taught a class in the Sunday School Board's Vocational school in Nashville recently, has been asked to write a book for publication on this subject which has been his specialty for several years. He is now preparing a tract for the use of the Conservation Commission.

Some people are a little afraid a young preacher will be pampered by being helped to get his college education. We are not for doing anything for him or anybody else which he ought to do for himself. But it ought to be remembered that any man who sends a son or daughter to a state college gets far more free assistance than any young preacher who goes to a denominational college receives. We are not saying it ought not to be so. We are just saying that it is so. Comparisons must be just.

Dr. M. J. Patterson wrote to fifty people recently asking for \$100.00 from each to help build the church at Clinton. About half of them have already written and given the amount asked. Others will. Still others were asked for various sums, and the money is coming in. Dr. Patterson is happy and the work of the church building is going on.

Miss Sallie Stamps, for several years superintendent of the Mississippi Baptist Hospital in Jackson, and during the war an army nurse at Camp Shelby and in France, is herself now a patient in the Fitzsimmons General Hospital, U. S. A., at Denver, Colorado. She was one of the most attentive and efficient nurses we have ever known. She made a host of friends in civil and in army life, many of whom would be glad to write her a cheering letter. Blessed are the merciful for they shall obtain mercy.

Pastor A. J. Linton held his own meeting at Poplar Springs Copiah County. The church was greatly revived. Eleven were added to the church, eight for baptism. A nice purse was given the pastor and his salary was increased. The week before he held his meeting at Athens, Simpson County. Twelve were baptized, one of them sixty years old. An old gentleman and his wife were restored to fellowship who had been out of the church for 30 years. He is 71 years old.

The State insists that its public school teachers shall attend a normal school in summer to better fit them for the work of teaching and school management. Our churches do not compel their workers to attend an encampment for Christian service is voluntary, but encampments are provided at Hattiesburg and Blue Mountain where workers in all departments may become more efficient as well as enjoy the fellowship and the inspirational addresses. Conscience and desire will combine to take many of our teachers and leaders and preachers to these schools for training and inspiration.

## EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

D. M. Nelson, Secretary.

Good Fortune of Brown and Cornell Universities.

The endowment committee of Brown University reported the other day that \$2,800,000 had been paid into the treasury in the last two years. We rejoice to hear of this great old Baptist institution's good fortune.

The gift of a \$1,000,000 building, to be used as the center for the social and recreational life of the students of Cornell University, has just been given to the university by Mrs. Dorothy Whitney Straight, a memorial to her husband, the late Willard C. Straight, banker, diplomat and soldier, who graduated from Cornell in 1901, and at the time of his death was a trustee of the university. It looks like that it is about time for a Mississippi Baptist Institution to receive the outpourings of a generous soul.

Dean of the University of Pittsburgh Blames Society for Sins of Young People.

"No student," says Dean Thyrea W. Amos, of the University of Pittsburgh invented jazz, wrote sex play, obscene song; no student created the immortal sin, and no student created the coarse fashions in dress. These are the gracious gifts of society. It is cowardly to attack our adolescents who have innocently fallen heir to the harmful gifts of society."

What ought society to do about it, and why is society trying to divert attention and blame to youth?

Well in the first place, Dean Amos says, society ought to have the making of jazz stopped. That would settle the whole mooted question, she declares. Then society ought to forbid the publication of all unsavory songs and similar matter; it ought to demand verification of the statement that at the present time is the

ment that the public wants that sort of thing."

"The sins of society have found it out, declares Dean Amos. It sees its former joys and beauties trailing in the dust. For the love of gold it has permitted harmony to be devised fit only for the most depraved. It has allowed a sort of Bacchanalian revelry to be substituted for the beauties of line and rhythm."

"The church, school and press are all aroused at present, and society must make an attack somewhere. So the youths are being trounced. Is this the way to pay a debt or to make an apology? If society were as brave to attack the agencies that are making wealth by exploiting the vulgar as it is in censuring young people, as ready to follow law for its own chastening, the problem of students and others less fortunate would be speedily solved."

"This is the age of the triumphant salesmanship, and society has allowed itself sold on the matters of vulgarity in music, dress, and the stage, and then turned upon the young people in order to shift the responsibility from its own shoulders."

Dean Amos is working especially for the placing of deans of boys and girls in the high schools. There are already some deans of girls in high schools, but very few if any deans of boys.

What do you think of the idea?

## A Profitable Investment.

Any student of Berlin College, Ohio, has a chance to earn \$5.00. A Chicago attorney, named Merritt Star, an alumnus of the college, has offered \$5.00 to every student of the school who can repeat perfectly the Sermon on the Mount. This attorney believes that the Sermon on the Mount is the solvent for our modern problems, and also of great value as a piece of literature.

## THE NEW ORLEANS HOSPITAL.

M. E. DODD.

There seems to be considerable post Convention discussion of the New Orleans Hospital proposition.

It seems to me, however, that the gracious, generous and Baptist spirit would be to accept the Convention's decisions and all go forward together carrying out in the best way possible the programs outlined.

But since these discussions have been carried on by those who do not as yet see the wisdom of this movement, I wish to add another word or two, in order that the records may be kept clear and the proposition explained from the viewpoint of those who are especially interested in the establishment of this hospital.

I am not a member of the Hospital Committee, nor do I speak in any official capacity, but simply as one who is interested in the ongoing of Christ's cause everywhere, with a particular interest, of course, in Louisiana.

In February, 1920, the New Orleans brethren presented their plea for a hospital to the Executive Committee of the Convention.

In this Committee's report to the Convention in May, 1920, they recommended that this proposition be referred to the Home Mission Board. Recognizing the burdens of the Board, they said: "But we feel that this Board is the logical body to undertake and carry to a glorious consummation this important enterprise."

At the annual meeting of the Board in June, 1920, a committee was appointed to make thorough investigation of the proposition and upon their findings the Home Board reported to the Convention in 1921: "After due consideration and in view of the inability of the Baptists of New Orleans and Louisiana to establish such a hospital as the one needed, an effort in view of the favorable attitude of the Convention toward the enterprise the Home Board agreed to undertake the work."

The report of the Hospital Committee to the 1921 Convention said: "A very desirable site consisting of two entire city blocks has been decided upon. The Association of Commerce in New Orleans proposes to present this site to the Board and the matter is now pending between the Board and the Association of Commerce. It is the earnest hope of your committee that work shall go forward to completion, etc."

In view of the fact that this proposition has been before the Executive Committee of the Convention, has been in the hands of the Convention Hospital Committee for three years, has been before the Home Mission Board for two years, and before the Convention itself for three years, it cannot be said that the final vote at Jacksonville to go forward with the proposition was hasty and premature.

Furthermore, the Home Mission Board has been committed to hospital work for at least four years. In its report to the Convention in 1920 it said: "Our great sanatorium for tuberculosis in El Paso has been in operation more than a year. At the annual meeting last year (1919) our Board projected plans for this institution on the basis of \$1,000,000 for the next five years."

This New Orleans Hospital is therefore no new department for the Home Board.

Again, the proposition had two and a half hours of full and free discussion at one of the most largely attended sessions of the Jacksonville Convention. The auditorium was practically full and only a very few left before the vote was taken. The division was called for. The most conservative estimate I have heard on the vote was that it was 5 to 1 in favor of going ahead with the hospital. I have heard the vote estimated as high as 10 to 1.

As to the propriety of committing this to the Home Board, it is looked upon by those who have considered the whole situation as being as much a missionary enterprise as the Home Board's education work in the Mountain Schools. For years that work has been promoted and loyally supported by the entire Convention as a purely mission-

ary enterprise.

Now, Louisiana has the great misfortune of having no mountains. Therefore, her need is different from that of Virginia, Georgia and North Carolina.

Why therefore, should not the entire Convention support a missionary enterprise in the South's greatest city at the point of her greatest need, just as loyally as all the South has supported the school enterprises because they happen to be the greatest need in the states where they are established?

If the Foreign Board found a good field for service in hospital work in China and elsewhere much more can the Home Mission Board serve a missionary and evangelistic purpose through a great hospital in New Orleans.

Already the influence of having finally and definitely decided to establish this hospital has been felt in New Orleans and throughout Louisiana. For example, in less than a month after the announcement in the New Orleans paper the Catholics recognizing the great value of this institution to the Baptists feverishly countered by announcing their purpose to build a million dollar hospital there.

The Baptist name and Baptist stock are rising by leaps and bounds in this hitherto impossible city of over 400,000 souls, and even to contemplate for a moment retroaction on this proposition would be calamitous beyond all ability to measure.

My plea, therefore, is that since the Home Board has for years been committed to hospital work and since this proposition has been before the Convention for years, various actions having been taken from time to time, and final and definite action having been taken at the Jacksonville Convention, and since the Home Board at its June, 1922 meeting formally accepted the site donated by New Orleans for this hospital that Southern Baptists join heart and hand and keep step in going forward with all their enterprises, including the New Orleans hospital.

If the Home Board work needs to be reorganized and its hospital work committed to a hospital board and its education work to the Education Board; its church building program committed to that department of the Sunday School Board; its foreign work committed to the Foreign Board, then that is another proposition to be decided upon, certainly not earlier than the close of the 75 Million Campaign.

The wisest action on this point would probably be for the next Convention to appoint a committee to consider for a year the entire readjustment and reorganization of the Home Board and to make its report in 1924, so the readjustment might take place at the beginning of whatever is to be done following the 75 Million Campaign.

May the God of all Grace give us wisdom and courage and strength for all our tasks.

## A HAPPY SELECTION FOR COLLEGE PRESIDENCY.

The Baptist Messenger announces that Dr. J. B. Lawrence, once Mississippi Secretary, more recently pastor of the fine church at Shawnee, Oklahoma, has been elected President of Oklahoma Baptist University, following the resignation of President J. A. Tolman. Both on account of his excellent personal qualifications and because of his mature experience as a pastor and religious leader, we are glad of the selection of Dr. Lawrence for that important post. Without prejudice to the excellent educators at the head of our colleges who are not ministers, we regard it a happy omen that so many of our denominational colleges when in search of new administrative officers turn to Baptist ministers, who have learned many deep things not in all the philosophy of scores of university Ph. D's., things more precious than rubies and without which the denominational college tends to become an anomaly. Success to the O. B. U. and to President Lawrence.

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## THAT MONKEY DOCTRINE

It was my great pleasure to be with that prince of preachers, Dr. D. I. Purser, in a great union meeting of the eight Baptist churches in San Antonio, Tex. Immense crowds were in attendance and the Spirit of the Lord was moving in great power upon the hearts of the people.

A little red faced kinky headed German fancied he saw a fine opportunity to peddle his wares and advertise his big up town saloon and so he put up his sign "German Tea Garden" in box car letters just across the street from our tabernacle.

I dared to make a public complaint but some of the conservative brethren said it would not amount to anything. It soon, however, began to attract attention and the place was crowded before, during and after services, and his "tea" began to have a bad effect and gave us trouble.

Dr. Purser and I took an officer and went over to interview the gentleman. Dr. Purser said, "what is this you are running?" With much gusto he replied, "This is a tea garden, can't you read?" To which Dr. Purser in his characteristic mild but firm way replied, "We don't want any more of your kind of tea." The Kinky Headed Tea Vendor made some smart reply, then the officer showed his badge and arrested him on the charge of disturbing public worship and thus broke up the little "tea garden".

We in the great kingdom work should not suffer much less foster anything under the sun that will in any way interfere with its progress, but for months some of our Baptist papers have been advertising a certain "Tea-garden" of New Orleans, La. whose brand of "tea" is ten thousand times worse than any found in German beer gardens, and it is my private opinion publicly expressed that it is high time for the Baptist constituency to speak out with the positiveness of Dr. Purser and say "We don't want any more of your kind of tea".

There is a peculiar kind of black monkey in the Jackson Zoo. It has a very small head, its body is about the size of a man's wrist and about 15 inches long, its legs are as long as its body and its tail about twice the length of its legs. As I stood and looked at and studied that queer animal this question came into my mind, "Does this thing fairly represent the Unitarian doctrine of Evolution as set forth by Mr. Tegarden, all legs and tail, but no head and body?"

Now if Dr. T. B. Tegarden, pastor of the First Unitarian Church, N. O., wants to claim this hideous animal as his ancestor, he certainly has that unquestionable right, and has a perfect right to be a Unitarian or a monkey if he chooses, but I do conscientiously question the expediency and challenge the moral right of our Baptist papers to publish such propaganda and thus condone and propagate the monkey doctrine of Evolution which is so diametrically opposed to the teachings of God's word, the faith, the teachings and practices of Baptists. It has no place nor business in Baptist papers. If Mr. Tegarden wants to preach, teach and defend his monkey doctrine let him do it in his own church papers and quit monkeying with other denominational papers.

"We want no more of that kind of tea" and monkeyism.

G. W. RILEY.

Clinton, Miss.

"Year Book of the Churches" is a new book by the Federal Council of the Churches. It contains over 400 pages and sells for \$1.00 for the paper bound and \$1.50 for the cloth bound volume. It is for the years 1921-22, edited by E. O. Watson and has six departments. I. Directory of Religious Bodies and Synopsis of History, Doctrine and Polity, II. Directory of Federal Council of Christ in America with affiliated, cooperative and consultative bodies. III. Directory of Interchurch, National and International Organizations. IV. Directory of Chaplains in the Army and Navy, in the United States, with summary of religious work in both branches of the

service. V. Religious Statistics and Information. VI. Bibliography of the Federal Council of Churches.

BAPTIST INDEPENDENCE  
BEN COX

The editor of the Michigan Christian Advocate (Methodist) was writing recently about the trouble between the Fundamentalists and the anti Fundamentalists in the Northern Baptist Conference. In his article he is reported to have said:

"We wish they (the Baptists) would accept for one year the loan of our Bishops and district Superintendents. They could iron out some troubles without asking the angels to come down and do it."

A Northern Methodist paper takes issue with him and says among other things:

"The Baptists do not believe in the monarchy. They are democratic and we are free to confess that in this age of democracy Methodism is fast becoming more and more monarchical: It if were not for the fear of the Bishop and the shining sword of the Episcopacy (to quote one of the official advocates) we would have a greater protest among our preachers over the terrific havoc that the destructive criticism is working in Methodism. There are thousands of Methodist preachers ready to cry out against the hierarchy and the machine and the new theology men now in the saddle of Methodism, if they were not possessed with a ghastly fear of the Episcopacy. Their bread and butter is at stake. They know if they dare to protest they will be sent to the woods. The pastors are afraid of their district Superintendents, and Bishops; the district Superintendents are afraid of the Bishop; the Bishop is afraid of the General Conference, and so it goes. Methodism is ruled more by fear of the big stick today than ever in its history. There is absolutely no freedom of action, you must obey the machine or be doomed."

The Baptists are independent! Their declaration of independence has never been rescinded or revoked. A Baptist Church and its pastor can determine of itself what policy it will pursue. The average Methodist Church is not a free body. The Methodist Episcopal Church is not an independent church, it is not a democracy; it is in its form of government a monarchy. During the war we saw monarchs and monarchies going to the scrap heap, and crowns and coronets go to pawn, but within Methodism monarchy is notoriously on the increase, and to speak of the democracy of Methodism is nothing short of a joke."

Let us see to it that no monarchy, or anything approaching monarchy shall be found among Baptists. There can be no real Bible Baptists without complete democracy. Autocracy has no place among them. Their government as I have said before, must be a government of the people, for the people, and by the people. Baptist must be democratic or nothing.

Central Baptist Church, Memphis Tenn.

This is the way Walt Mason puts it:

"Oh, good-bye, Father Darwin! You seemed a wise old chap; you had your day, now William J. has wiped you off the map. You almost had convinced us that we were sprung from apes; but William cries, 'Men do not rise from such unseemly shapes.' You bunked us, Father Darwin, you led us all to think that if we'd seek, week after week, we'd find the Missing Link. You dug up skulls and shinbones of monkey and of man, and cried, full tilt, that they were built upon the same old plan. And we as marks were easy, we fell for this cheap plant, absorbed your bunk, and thought the monk might well be niece or aunt. I watched the fierce gorilla and thought my great-grand-dad, on some past day roared just that way, and doubtless looked as bad. I often paused to picture my forbears in the trees; they warbled tunes with cheap baboons and tinhorn chimpanzees. And, thinking, I was humbled, for no man can be proud, if he can trace his tribe or race to such a measly crowd. But William J. has saved us, restored our self-respect;

our pedigree is fine to see, and everything's correct. So farewell, Father Darwin! You put your graft across; you've had your day, now William J. shows you're a total loss."

—Ex.

## AN APPRECIATION

When our people began to talk about building a hospital in Jackson I said amen, and I contributed of my scant means to the project. I also took regular collections from my churches for its establishment and maintenance. I believed we needed it in doing our Master's will to relieve human bodily ailments. I never once dreamed that I or mine would be beneficiaries of it. In a few years Mrs. Haman became afflicted and had to go to the hospital. She received, it seemed to us, special kindness at the hands of Dr. Wall, Miss \_\_\_\_\_ and the nurses generally, and all without charge.

Last Spring my widowed daughter, who is in hardened circumstances, had a little son in bad health. Our good friend Dr. Green of Carpenter, after careful examination, said he was in a tubercular condition and advised that we take him to the hospital for x-ray examination. This we did. She remained in the hospital with this boy and one younger, by kindness of Dr. Curry. This afflicted boy had his adenoids and tonsils removed by Dr. Posey and later, developing appendicitis. Dr. Galloway kindly removed his appendix. The other little boy had to have his adenoids, tonsils and appendix removed. This Dr. Galloway did. Dr. Curry, the other doctors and the nurses were all so kind that they captured all our hearts. And all was free as God's grace.

God be praised for our hospital and the work it is doing, and abundantly pour his blessings on it in the future.

P. A. HAMAN.

## ASSOCIATIONAL LETTERS

Church Clerks will please take notice that the associations' letters have been mailed to the clerks of the associations for distribution. The letters will not be sent to the church direct from the office in Jackson this year. Write to the clerk of your association if you fail to get the letters promptly. Every church clerk will be supplied with two copies of the letter form.

Church clerks should begin early to gather and compile the information called for in the associational letter. The letters to be used this year have been prepared by the Statistical Secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention, and will be used by all the states. In this way it will be possible to gather and compile uniform statistics and information from all states.

The only possible way to gather accurate statistics and information about Southern Baptists is for the church clerks to give the information accurately and fully in the reports to the associations. It is important too that every church clerk should use the form sent out this year in reporting to the association. Make out the letter in duplicate and keep a copy for your files.

N. T. Tull, Statistical Secty.

Mississippi Baptist Convention

## CORINTH

The First Church, Corinth, Mississippi has just closed a two weeks revival meeting. The pastor Dr. T. W. Young who came to us in April from Columbia, Missouri did the preaching. Previous to the meeting he had been delivering some Evangelistic messages. The morning services for the first week were especially for the young people and children the pastor using a booklet written by himself emphasizing the Christian Doctrine and Life. This booklet is available for other pastors and will be found very helpful. The preaching was eloquent, logical and Biblical and resulted in quite a number of conversions, there being forty-one additions to the membership and quite a

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### EDITORIAL

#### SECOND DOCTRINE.

Some people jump at these words and some  
jump over them. They occur four times in Paul's  
letters to Timothy and Titus. Suppose we look  
at them as they occur in the second chapter of  
Titus, first verse. It might be said that the word  
doctrine, our word, and the word in the original  
New Testament, means teaching or instruction.  
It is the process of impressing truth or duty on  
the mind of some one who needs your assistance.  
This becomes one of the most important parts of  
the business of Christians, specially toward the  
immature and untrained or undeveloped.

The word "sound," which is used in connection  
with "sound doctrine" means hygienic, and is  
the very word from which we get hygiene, and  
is in some versions translated healthful; and so  
"sound doctrine" is simply wholesome teaching;  
teaching that conduces to health and growth and  
Christian development.

This healthful teaching may and will include  
teaching about God, about his nature and purpose  
and work. It will give us instruction about  
Christ, his person and nature and sacrificial  
death, his resurrection, ascension, enthronement  
and his promised return. It will tell us about  
the work of the Holy Spirit, his dealing with the  
world, the word, the work of God in the Christian.  
All these things are included in the healthful  
teaching which will make Christians wise  
and strong and holy.

But it must be said that these are not the specific  
things included in what Paul had in mind  
when he used the expression "sound doctrine"  
in the second chapter of Titus. He himself explains  
what he means in the verses immediately  
following. You can see it for yourself. "But  
speak thou the things that become sound doctrine:  
that the aged man be sober, grave, temperate,  
sound in faith, in charity, in patience." Then  
follows similar instruction about "aged  
women," verse three; and about young men,  
verse six and about servants, verse nine.

From these verses running through the chapter  
and into the next chapter it is evident that  
sound doctrine here has to do not with teaching  
about abstract principles, nor about denominational  
differences, nor about what are commonly  
called the fundamentals of our faith, but with the  
way people are to behave and with the control of  
our relations one with another. Each class of  
persons is warned against the weakness of the  
group to which he or she belongs and is fortified  
against the temptations peculiar to his condition.  
Men and women who are advancing in years will  
do well to pay good attention to what is said to  
them. Young men and young women ought to  
profit by the sound doctrine to avoid the pitfalls

which they encounter along the way. Servants  
seem to have had then the same temptations as  
now, and so they are cautioned against answering  
back, against stealing. They are exhorted to  
be obedient and faithful. It is their high honor  
to "adorn the doctrine of God, our Savior". There  
are none who have better opportunity to demon-  
strate the beauty and charm of the Savior's teaching.  
There is great need in the churches today  
of just such sound doctrine.

#### PURIFY YOURSELF.

A revival meeting is a house cleaning. It may  
have something of the discomfort attending a  
house-cleaning, for things have to be shifted about,  
a lot of dust is raised and every rug and  
piece of furniture must have the dirt taken from  
under it and removed from it. But it is a great  
time for making things fresh and life is sweeter  
for it all. Indeed life would be insufferable if  
we did not have an occasional house-cleaning.  
Most people have one at least once a year.

It is a great and good time for us when the  
revival meeting comes around. To be sure we  
ought to have a sweeping and dusting and straightening  
up every day. But the people who do this  
every day are generally the ones to have a  
"spring cleaning". This annual protracted meeting  
will do more toward getting every thing  
straightened out in the church and cleaned up in  
the life than anything we know. To be sure  
there is no need for letting all such effort go by  
till the protracted meeting, but this is a time for  
general and thorough cleaning up. And how good  
everybody feels when it is done. The way atmosphere  
is wholesome and everything tingles  
with new life.

Nobody ought to fail of getting the benefit of it.  
We speak for the preachers when we say that  
they stand in need of it along with the rest. It  
is a time for heart searching and purifying of  
ourselves. All of us need to open our souls to the  
Lord and cry with David, "Search me, O God  
and know my heart; try me and know my  
thoughts; and see if there be any wicked way in  
me, and lead me in the way everlasting."

This cleansing must be done by the man himself.  
Yes, cleansing is the work of God too. But  
there are certain exercises of soul that must be  
done by the Christian himself. John says in his  
first epistle, 3:3, "Every one that hath this hope  
set on him, (that is on Christ) purifieth himself.  
The hope here spoken of is the assurance of our  
future complete likeness to our Lord. This like-  
ness is due to the fact that we are his children,  
and children get to be more and more like their  
parents. John says, Beloved, now are we the  
children of God, and it is not yet made manifest  
what we shall be, but when it is manifested  
we shall be like him. This is our assured hope.  
Then he says everyone that hath this hope fixed  
on Christ, purifieth himself. The realizing sense  
that we are children of God, the certain expecta-  
tion, based on the person and work of Christ,  
that we are to be like him, works actively in ex-  
pelling from our lives everything that is low  
and purging our soul from everything that is sin-  
ful.

Suppose in our meetings we try to make Chris-  
tians feel their exalted position as children of  
God in the midst of a perverse generation. Sup-  
pose we call them to walk worthily of their high  
calling. If we make them to know that they are  
the light of the world and the salt of the earth  
will they not respond to it with lives that accord  
with the truth? If we hold before their vision the  
revelation of their home on high and the glory of  
the life over there with God, will not their hope  
become active in purifying them even as he is  
pure? Why wait for somebody to show us that?  
May we not now set ourselves to make our lives  
fit for the kingdom and for his service.

John Schell died at Crazy Creek, Ky., July 6th.  
said to be 134 years old, being born in 1788. He  
remembers Daniel Boone and was too old to  
enlist in the war against Mexico. Three years  
ago he took a ride in an airplane.

#### KEEP YOURSELF.

Some of our churches have already had meet-  
ings that were uplifting and upbuilding, that  
have helped to refresh the souls of the people and  
set them in joyous fellowship with God and with  
one another. Other churches are hoping and pray-  
ing for similar experiences. It will be the desire of  
all to preserve this possession of new joy and love  
for all the days to come.

As we think of these things, the exhortation  
of Jude, verse 21, comes to mind in which he says,  
"Keep yourselves in the Love of God." It is true  
that we are "kept by the power of God through  
faith unto salvation, ready to be revealed in the  
last day." But Jude is not, in his exhortation,  
thinking about salvation in that sense. He is  
talking about a present experience of the Chris-  
tian, who though saved may or may not have a  
realizing sense of the Love of God in his soul.

All of us know, preachers included, that we may  
go right on attending church, taking a regular  
part in the work, and keeping up every appear-  
ance of activity, and yet having none of the warmth  
and glow of love that is the distinguishing char-  
acteristic of the Christian Experience and life.  
But there is no joy or satisfaction in it. Indeed  
it appears that some people go through life as  
members of the church, regular attendants and  
participants in its outward form of worship and  
work, yet never learn that the kingdom of God is  
righteousness and peace and JOY IN THE HOLY  
GHOST.

But we are speaking now to men and women  
who know the love of God and who rejoice in the  
refreshing that his presence brings. How shall  
we preserve this blessed experience? How shall  
the joy of it be preserved? How shall we keep  
ourselves in the love of God, so that we feel it  
as perceptibly as the warmth of the sun and are  
empowered by it as truly as the machine is by  
the electric current or the steam chest? Is it  
possible to live our lives in the conscious experi-  
ence of that love? It would seem that this scrip-  
ture answers the question: "keep yourselves in  
the love of God."

Notice that you are to do it yourself. God is  
not responsible for the absence of it. His love is  
infinite and seeks its full expression in the ob-  
jects of his love. It is ours to say whether we  
shall abide in the love of Christ even as he abode  
in the Father's love. The way in which it is  
to be done is also indicated in the words that accom-  
pany the exhortation. This is the way it  
reads: "But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on  
your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Spirit,  
keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for  
the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal  
life."

This plainly sets forth three things as necessary  
to keeping in the love of God. One is "building  
up yourselves on your most holy faith." There is  
no such thing as keeping in the love of God if we  
stand still. We must know more and grow more  
if we are to preserve what we have. To him that  
hath shall be given and from him that hath not  
shall be taken away. You cannot drink stale  
water or eat stale bread in the kingdom of God.  
We must plow deeper from year to year or the soil  
is exhausted and barren. We must know more of  
the meaning of God's word, we must appropriate  
it constantly, we must have an enlarging conception  
of his grace and purpose and work, or our  
resources of joy are exhausted. You cannot live  
today on yesterday's experience, and you cannot  
feast tomorrow on what you have today. You  
must build yourself up on your most holy faith  
or you can not keep yourself in the love of God.  
The water in any well or cistern gets stale if it  
is not continually drawn off and used. Going  
forward in knowledge and faith and experience of  
God and service to him is a necessity to abiding  
in his love. Many make a mistake here by sup-  
posing they have attained and that the joy they  
have will last them to the journey's end.

The next condition is "praying in the Holy  
Spirit." If praying seems drudgery keep it up  
until it ceases to be drudgery. There are people  
to whom it is a weariness. If this feeling is yield-

ed to, there is no hope of having the love of God shed abroad in our hearts through the Holy Spirit. Or if in the exiliration of a joyous Christian experience one does not feel the need of prayer, and neglects it, the buoyant sense of his love in the heart dies down. This prosy duty of prayer is the only rosy path to joyous fellowship with God. At times it may be necessary that the praying be accompanied with fasting. If so it is worth the price.

The last condition is that of "expectancy of the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life." Looking forward is the attitude of the Christian. The future is always bigger and better to him than the past or the present. The mercy of God shall be built up forever. His path is as the shining light which shineth more and more unto the perfect day. There's a wideness in God's mercy like the wideness of the sea. The words which Jude uses here probably include the looking for the Lord's return. There can be no doubt that the expectation of his return keeps the fires of his love burning on the altars of our hearts. Faith and hope and love are close companions in the Christian life. If we build ourselves up in faith and look forward in hope it will help to keep us in the love of God.

The church at Hazlehurst after listening to a sermon by one of our denominational men voted to give \$1,000 to help build the church at Clinton. They did it joyfully because they regard the building of a suitable house of worship as a denominational task for Mississippi Baptists, on account of the large number of students there from all over the state. The people of Mississippi are agreed that Mississippi College is located at the right place and they believe that an adequate house of worship should be built there. The house is now enclosed, but it will take \$30,000 to complete and furnish it. The people of Clinton have given generously. The Home Mission Board in Atlanta, whose Secretary Dr. B. D. Gray was once pastor at Clinton, set a worthy example in helping the building. The State Board, whose secretary is an alumnus of Mississippi College, gave a larger amount; and many individual contributors over the state and answering the call of Dr. M. O. Patterson for help. It will be a great help if the house can be gotten ready for use by Jan 1st.

The Baptist Standard well says: Whether or not Southern Baptist should build the hospital at New Orleans it should no longer be considered a debatable question. Three successive conventions have considered this question and, after careful consideration, voted to build. Aside from the action already taken by the Southern Baptist Convention, we cannot ignore the fact that such an institution will be one of our greatest missionary assets. New Orleans is the largest city of the South. It is the central gateway to the South. The hospital will be a mighty missionary reinforcement. The Baptist Bible Institute has done more to revolutionize that city than any other single agency. When Southern Baptists build a great hospital in that strategic center it will strengthen the Baptist cause throughout the South.

The Presbyterian tells of the appointment of a committee of the Federal Council, six in number, to confer with a committee of six from the church of England about terms of union of the various Christian bodies. This committee of twelve unanimously reported on May 24th that "in view of the Episcopate's long history and its general acceptance today as the means by which the authority of the whole is given, it ought to be accepted as such for the united church of the future." And this is the organization that proposes to function for all the churches in the United States! And Northern Baptists affiliate with them, also Congregationalists. We opine that these people will find that a lot of people affiliated with them won't swallow this pill. Of course

Southern Baptists have nothing to do with the Federal Council. Is this the animal about which we read in Rev. 13:11: "And I saw another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like unto a lamb, and he spake as a dragon. And he exerciseth all the authority of the first beast in his sight. And he maketh the earth and them that dwell therein to worship the first beast, whose death stroke was healed."? You may read the rest of it in your Bible if you wish.

All appearances now indicate that in September the Baptists of Mississippi are going to face the problem of what to do with our girls who want to go to college and can't find room in our institutions. There's going to be an overflow and some of our girls cannot be taken care of. We have to face this problem squarely and make some provision for them. Not too many are going to school; rather not enough are going. But we have not made room for them. We are at this very moment in need of hundreds of thousands of dollars to add to our school equipment. Where is it coming from? If we are to have a day of prayer for our schools and colleges, it would be well to spend a large part of the time in asking God to open the fountains of benevolence in our people that they may give the necessary money for our schools.

THE RETURN OF CHRIST by T. L. Piper D. D. This is on the subject which will always be precious to those who love the Lord. It has the advantage of being a thorough Bible study of the doctrine of the Second Coming, going back to the prophetic books of the Old Testament and then making a close study of the New Testament from many angles. Many will feel refreshed by its reading. From the Revell Press.

Florida Baptists have bought a good lot and will build a headquarters home for all their offices. This has proved a good investment in Mississippi and we doubt not will be in Florida also.

Brother Madison Flowers helped Pastor White in a good meeting at Doddsville. There were 23 added to the church, eleven by baptism.

Pastor J. J. Mayfield has been under treatment in the Baptist Hospital in Memphis and may have to return later for an operation.

Dr. W. O. Carver who is touring all the mission fields writes from Brazil that we have a great work there of limitless possibilities. The people are open to the gospel. In five days he spoke in five places through an interpreter, and more than fifty professed faith in Jesus as Savior and Lord.

In spite of the action of the Southern Baptist Convention to run the 75 Million Campaign to Dec. 1st, 1924, the Kentucky Mission Board decided to close their part of it Apr. 30, 1924.

We are in receipt of a copy of the Minutes of the recent Southern Baptist Convention. It is a much larger book than ever before and is a credit to our efficient secretaries Moore and Burnett. It will soon be possible for every one who needs a copy to get it for the cost of postage.

Enlistment Missionary R. A. Kimbrough is assisting in a meeting at West Corinth C. E. Har- grove pastor. Fine congregations and good interest. Thirty eight unsaved are being prayed for. Bro. Kimbrough asks that you join in the prayer as he himself is praying for great meetings out the state.

Hon. W. A. Frost for a number of years president of the Kentucky General Association and a successful business man became Business Manager of the Western Recorder of Louisville, Ky. He will enlarge the plant and the subscription list.

Seventh Day Adventist are all tithers, and while there are only 135,000 of them in this country they gave to all purposes in 1920 nearly 12 million dollars, the largest per capita giving of any denomination in the world. There are fewer of them in the world than there are white Baptist in Mississippi and yet they gave more money than Southern Baptists gave last year to the 75 Million Campaign.

China spends nine cents a year per capita for education. Japan spends \$1.72 and the United States spends \$5.72.

Three years without saloons, Ohio has reduced its population in the jails, infirmaries and children's homes 20 per cent.

Pastor J. Norris Palmer reports a great meeting at Habit, Ky., in which he was assisted by Evangelist J. B. DeGamo, and his daughter who sang. There were 31 additions, 26 for baptism. Brother DeGamo has had ten years of successful experience as an evangelist.

Enlistment Missionary T. W. Green assisted Pastor T. W. Bishop in a meeting at Sardis church in Smith County. There were 13 accessions, 8 of them by baptism. The church building has recently been repaired and a consolidated school built near by, which means that they are not only looking forward but going forward. The grounds are beautiful and the homes and church are full of fine young people eager for development.

Men of the First Baptist Church in Jackson have formed a Layman's Club for all the men of the Church and congregation. Their first meeting was on July 14th from 6 to 8 P. M. It is for social recreation and pushing the work of their church. Dr. J. P. Wall is President, P. H. Eager, Jr. and Dr. Dennis Vice Presidents, and Judge Stricker Sec'y-Treas. A good supper, good musical program and a few stirring speeches made an excellent program.

Pastor F. M. Purser of Hazlehurst has felt for many years that duty called him to work on the foreign mission field. His application has been made to the Board in Richmond and if the Board is able to send him out his resignation will be presented to his church. He is the kind of man to do good work anywhere.

Did you ever amuse yourself by looking in a long mirror whose face was curved backward perpendicularly so that the edges were farther from you than the center? It makes you look very long and very thin. Or did you look into one which was curved backward horizontally? This makes you look very short and fat. Did it occur to you that after a man becomes a Christian God sees him through the mirror of Christ and so feels toward him and deals with him not as he is in himself, but as he is in Christ Jesus? God's attitude toward us now is not determined by what we are naturally, not by what we are in ourselves, but by what we are in Christ. He sees us not as we are but as he knows we shall be. Our mirror distorts; God's mirror corrects defects.

#### RESIGNED—RECONSIDERED.

On the first Sunday in July Rev. G. W. Riley presented his resignation as pastor of the Griffith Memorial Baptist Church of this city, but a petition was at once circulated protesting against his going, and on last Sunday the church very enthusiastically voted to have him reconsider and remain with them which he has decided to do.

Bro. Riley organized the church fifteen years ago with eight members and when he left them four years later there were 250 in the membership. This is his third year back with them during which time there have been 140 accessions.

The church is well organized, a good Sunday School, three BYPUs, good YWA and WMU.

The prayer meeting runs from 75 to 150 and the spiritual condition of the church is fine.

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number who will join later. The pastor was planning and praying for fifty and there will be that many or more. The members of the church are greatly delighted with the new pastor who has endeared himself to the entire congregation as well as the people of the community generally. Brother Scholfield not only sings the Gospel himself but knows how to get the "folks" to join in the worship in song.

SERIES OF SERMONS BY BEN COX ON BIBLE REVIVALS.

Sunday morning, June 25th.

"The Reviver in Egypt."

While passing through the book tent at the Southern Baptist Convention in Jacksonville, I noticed a stack of books marked "25c". I bought a number of them, one of them being "Some Bible Revivals" by Rev. Ernest Baker, of Cape Town, South Africa. As some of you know, I do most of my reading and sermonizing when I am on railway trains, at conventions, or holding revival meetings. I challenge any man to do very much reading while attending to a pastorate like this. I have found this little 25c book a jewel and worth more than twenty-five dollars to me, because it gave me some very wholesome suggestions as to Bible revivals.

As I see it, the great need of Memphis is a real revival of religion. It is true that during our recent campaigns, individual and simultaneous, we have received a large number of members into our churches. It is also true that most of these are from our Sunday schools and other church organizations, as such as could logically be expected. In a real evangelistic sense, we have touched only the edges. Memphis needs a real Bible revival, and Memphis can be helped if she will pause for a few moments and study some of the details of Bible revivals.

Memphis needs a revival, not "worked up" but "prayed down". It may be quiet, or it may be spectacular. God may see fit to conduct it with the people already here, or have others brought in. The principal need of Memphis, as I see it is to know God's will and to do it. There is only one way for us to find out God's will and that is in God's Book, which is often called "God's revealed will." We shall find that He operates now very much as He did in Bible times.

In regard to the revival in Egypt, God selected Moses to be the human leader. He had good preparation. His life, as you know, is divided into three 40's—forty years in Egypt, forty years in the country and forty years in the wilderness with the children of Israel. In Egypt he had come in touch with the leading things concerning city life. Egypt was, as you know, then the headquarters for civilization and education. God seemed to think that Moses needed some country life as well as city life. I am sorry to have to say it, but I believe that the principal part of the success of Memphis' churches is due to men reared in the country. Thank God there are some exceptions, but as a general thing, the most valuable members of our churches are members who came to us from country churches. Really strong characters are produced by a combination of both country and city life.

After Moses had his forty years' experience in the country, God called him from the burning bush. Moses objects, you will remember. "O Lord, I am not eloquent, neither heretofore, nor since thou hast spoken unto thy servant, but I am slow of speech and of a slow tongue." But God replies "Who hath made man's mouth? Or who maketh the dumb or deaf or the seeing or the blind? Have not I, the Lord? Now, therefore go, and I will be with thy mouth and teach thee what thou shalt say." We will get along all right with our mouths if we will turn them over to the Lord who has made them.

God also tells Moses that he will harden Pharaoh's heart. Many people stumble at this. When

God said he would harden Pharaoh's heart, I think he simply meant that he would force Pharaoh to an issue and that Pharaoh by rejecting and refusing would harden his own heart. Every man hardens his heart and conscience when he refuses God's call and is disobedient.

Notice, briefly the REVIVER, the REVIVED and the REVIVALISTS.

The REVIVER, of course, is God. He is the only one who could revive them. He is the only one who can revive now. All else is vain without him. Organization, system, machinery—you had just as well talk of organizing the spring as of organizing a revival. We read in God's Book, "Thou revivest the face of the ground." That means the coming of spring. The wise farmer watches for these indications and governs himself accordingly. He cannot organize the spring, he cannot systematize the spring, he cannot bring it to pass through machinery, but he can watch for its coming and sow his seed and after awhile reap a harvest. As the mariner watches for the tide, so must we watch for God's revival tides.

When I was last in England my uncle took me to see the London docks. I wondered at the great mass of shipping there, and I was greatly surprised when he told me that all the water was locked in. When the tide came up the docks were filled, the vessels came in and the gates were locked. If the gates were unlocked when the tide had receded, the water would flow out and the vessels would be left high and dry. So spiritually it becomes us to watch for God's revival tides.

There came a revival tide in the days of Luther. Things were awfully dark. They had much form of religion but very little power. They ran wild selling indulgences. Luther climbing the holy stairs of Rome heard the voice of heaven in his soul "The just shall live by faith." He nailed his protest on the church door and the blow of his hammer has been heard around the world.

In the eighteenth century in England things were dark. Skepticism and atheism were rife. There was much formal and ceremonial religion but little of the spiritual. The working people were burdened beyond all endurance. At this time Wesley and Whitfield were raised up. One of the miracles of history to me is the fact that Wesley could have for so long a time preached on an average of three sermons a day. Many Baptists were aroused too. Long before this time the faithful Bedford Baptist, John Bunyan, had been cast into jail because he had refused to worship according to the Rubrics, or rules of the church of England. It is a very striking fact that now no Bishop or Archbishop in this same church of England can be appointed without the consent of a little Welsh Baptist, Lloyd George.

What is our situation now? We have more church members than ever before in the world's history. We have plenty of the form of religion, but I fear little of its real power. The fact that so many disregard God's day and God's book is an evidence of this fact. There are more Bibles in the world than ever, and yet how few people read them!

A colporteur went to call on a woman and asked her if she had a Bible. She was insulted and replied, "What do you take me for—a heathen?" To her child she said "Go and bring the Bible." She was some time finding it. When she did find it to her mother the woman opened it and out fell her spectacles. To the colporteur she said, "I'm glad you came. I lost these specs three years ago." Yes, we have more Bibles than ever, but how little we read them! One reason why I am preaching this series of sermons on Bible revivals is that I am hoping, by the grace of God, to be used to arouse Memphis Christians to a deeper interest in and a more frequent use of God's word. Here it is that we find the "many great and exceeding precious promises" and thank God, there is no statute of limitation against them. Let Memphis Christians pay close attention to the words of the Lord to Solomon when

he appeared to him by night and said: "I have heard thy prayer, and have chosen this place to myself for an house of sacrifice. If I shut up heaven that there be no rain, or if I command the locusts to devour the land, or if I send pestilence among my people, if my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land."

Next let us briefly consider the REVIVED. I have spent most of our time on the REVIVER because that is the most important point for us to consider in the entire series of sermons. In regard to the REVIVED, we find they are the descendants of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, they are the progeny of those who had left Canaan during the famine and entered Egypt as a chastened people, and sad to say, they sank to the level of the people surrounding them. You cannot pitch your tent in Sodom without being influenced by Sodom. Israel in Egypt found herself tempted to worship gods. We know that, because they had not left Egypt very long before they erected a golden calf. The danger always is that we shall be conformed to our surroundings. Let us not forget the text "Be not conformed to this world, but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God." The best way to prove the will of God is to do it.

But I think I hear somebody object, "This does not apply to us. We are not idolaters. We do not worship idols." Whatever comes between you and your God is an idol. A lady came to my friend, Len Broughton, once, and complained that every time she got down to pray there came up before her a diamond pin. She got rid of the diamond pin and then she could pray. I repeat, whatever comes between you and your God when you pray is your idol. It may be a thing, it may be a person, it may be money, popularity, place, power—no matter what it is, may we say of it:

"The dearest idol I have known, whate'er that idol be, help me to tear it from thy throne, and worship only thee."

In the last place, let us notice the REVIVALISTS. They are Moses and Aaron. God has called Aaron to be spokesman because Moses objected. In Exodus 4: 29-31 we read: "And Moses and Aaron went and gathered together all the elders of the Children of Israel and Aaron spake all the words which the Lord had spoken unto Moses, and did the signs in the sight of the people. And the people believed, and when they heard that the Lord had visited the children of Israel and that he had looked upon their affliction, then they bowed their heads and worshipped."

They gathered the people. That was the first thing to do. It was no use trying to preach to them unless they were there. There is no inspiration in empty benches. Some of you here remember that when I first came to this church nearly ten years ago the night congregations were very small. I complained of their size—about forty people, and some of you responded, "Well, that is much better than we have been having." I asked "What have you been having?" "O, about twenty-five." You remember I then said "Unless we can get people to come here I shall stand on a goods box and preach on Main and Beale." But I am thankful the people came and now I am told we have one of the largest Sunday night audiences in the city of Memphis. It is no use preaching about people. We need to preach to the people. We cannot preach to the people unless they are here. Gathering the people, I repeat, is of tremendous importance. Every legitimate means you use for gathering the people to hear God's word is commendable. I wish this church were able to appropriate a good sum for advertising. the right sort of advertising it would be some of If she could put five thousand dollars a year into the best money she ever spent. They gathered the people.

In the next place we are told that Aaron spoke

Thursday, July 20, 1922.

"I have place to shut up and the silence we called and pray, wicked will for-  
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the words which the Lord had spoken unto Moses. That is the great need of the world. The word of God. Locke well says of it that "it has God for its author, salvation for its end and truth without any admixture of error for its matter." Billy Sunday aptly says "Germany called the Bible a scrap of paper before she tore up her treaty with Belgium." One reason why many men after the war looked upon promissory notes and contracts as scraps of paper is because they had looked upon the Bible as a scrap of paper. The great need of Memphis is God's Word. The Word of which Sir Walter Scott says:

"Within this awful volume lies  
The mystery of mysteries.

Happiest they of the human race  
To whom God has granted grace  
To read, to fear, to hope, to pray,  
To lift the latch and force the way,  
And better had they ne'er been born,  
Who read to doubt, or read to scorn."

The great man had a wonderful estimate of the Book, when, on his death bed, you remember, he said to his secretary, "Give me the book." "Which book?" asked the secretary, "There is but one" and the secretary, of course handed him the Bible.

It is said that Charles Spurgeon was at a Scottish Inn. He took up a worm-eaten Bible. Holding it between his eyes and the light, he saw where one worm had bored a hole clear through from Genesis to Revelation. Looking up, he said, "O, God, make me a book worm like that!"

I am sorry to confess that I am now for the first time reading the Bible through. I find it a great blessing.

When the Americans first occupied Manila, the prison doors were opened for those who had been kept for years in a vile hole for what were termed "political offences." One of these offences was reading the Bible. One day a man to an American missionary in Manila and asked to see him privately. In a whisper he said "May I now read the Bible without danger of imprisonment?" The missionary, taking him to the door, and pointing to the stars and stripes floating in the breeze said: "So long as you see that flag floating over your country, you can sit on the ridgepole of your house, if you want to, and read the Bible, and no man can molest you."

They gathered the people. They gave them the Word of the Lord. Let us do the same and we can expect results for it is still true that "as the rain cometh down and the snow from heaven, and returneth not hither, but watereth the earth and maketh it bring forth the bud, that it may give seed to the sower and bread to the eater so shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth. It shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it."

Not only that, they did the signs in the sight of the people. Jesus says "These signs shall follow them that believe. In my name they shall cast out devils. They shall lay hands on the sick and they shall recover."

Dr. Evans, in the wonderful series of meetings in Memphis said one day, you will remember, "Why are our churches so powerless? Because the churches have ceased to do the supernatural." If our churches can do no more than Oddfellows lodges, Masonic lodges, social organizations, business clubs, then we have no appeal worth while. The churches must stand for the supernatural because they go forward in the power of a supernatural God.

We are told in conclusion, that the people believed. That is the glorious result for which we wish to seek in Memphis. The need in Memphis above everything else is a great lot of people who really believe God. The best thing said about Abraham is said in three words—"Abraham believed God." On the old shipwrecked vessel going to Malta with the storm on the outside and the old ship about to fall to pieces, Paul stands forth in the presence of 276 other prisoners and

says "Be of good cheer for I believe God." Any man can be of good cheer himself, any man can exhort others to be of good cheer who can say, with Paul "I believe God", for "all things are possible to him that believeth."

Oh, for a faith that will not shrink  
Though pressed by every foe,  
That will not tremble on the brink  
Of any earthly woe!

That will not murmur nor complain  
Beneath the chastening rod,  
But in the hour of grief and pain,  
Will lean upon its God.

A faith that shines more bright and clear  
When tempests rage without,  
That in danger knows no fear.  
In darkness, feels no doubt.

Lord, give us such a faith as this,  
And then, whate'er may come,  
We'll taste ev'n here, the hallowed bliss  
Of our eternal home.

#### CLOTHING FOR RUSSIA.

##### Read and Act Quickly.

By J. F. Love, Corresponding Secretary.

Dr. J. H. Rushbrooke, Baptist commissioner for Europe, and Dr. Everett Gill, this Board's representative for Europe, strongly urge by cable and letter that an immediate appeal be made for clothing for Russia.

A conference with Mr. Herbert Hoover, chairman of the American Relief Administration, has secured for Southern Baptists the privilege of having all clothing, new and second-hand, contributed by them, shipped free of charge from Brooklyn, N. Y., to Russia.

Mr. Hoover urges us to raise a God fund also. It is estimated that several million children are in immediate danger of death by starvation. Daily dead children are found in the streets. Fifteen dollars will feed one child for one year. This is a great need and a great opportunity to save life. We hesitate to make the cash appeal lest we hurt the campaign, but if any of our people feel that they can, in addition to their campaign pledge, give money to buy bread for these, we shall be glad to receive it promptly, and will use it faithfully.

We have no hesitation in appealing for clothing because this appeal will not hurt the campaign, while it will put garments on those whose lives are threatened by the severe cold.

##### The Need for This Clothing

The cold Russian winter which soon approaches will find millions of men, women and little children with insufficient clothing to protect their bodies and save their lives. Their scant food allowance has so decreased their vitality they cannot resist cold and disease. The American Relief Administration is seeking to distribute food and asks our help through our own agency. Southern Baptists are called upon to at least help clothe the naked. Knowing the awful plight of our Russian Baptist people, we have been waiting for an opportunity to extend relief to them. That opportunity is now given us through the courtesy, by the help and under the protection of the American Relief Administration, and we must use it without delay. Not a moment must be lost if we would protect the lives of these sufferers from the severe Russian winter.

It has been estimated that already more people have died in Russia since the Armistice from hunger, cold and diseases which destitution has invited, than were killed on the battlefields of Europe during the war. Will our Southern Baptist churches, W. M. U. organizations and Sunday schools and B. Y. P. U.'s respond to this extraordinary and pitiful condition in some such manner as they responded to the need for clothing last winter? Our Northern Baptist brethren and sisters have sent shiploads of clothing to Europe. Can we not do as well?

##### What is Needed.

Note carefully what is needed:

Knitted garments.

Stout warm suits.

Simple cotton dresses.

Underwear and stockings.

Sensible shoes with low heels and broad toes.

Hats that will not be injured by baling.

Yarns for knitting and leather which cobblers can make into shoes.

Cloth in enormous quantities, including dress material, suitings, flannelette, etc.

Baby clothing and for all ages above b' y-hood.

Second-hand clothing as well as new clothing and new goods for clothing are urgently asked, but do not send soiled underwear, flimsy lingerie, fancy shoes or anything which will not render real service.

##### How to Collect Clothing.

1. Set up a relief organization at once.
2. Publicity from the pulpit and through the organizations of the church and public press.
3. Make clear to everybody what clothing is wanted, and appoint a central place at the church or private home where clothing can be delivered for packing.

##### Packing and Shipping Instructions.

Note these instructions well and keep them for reference.

1. Sort carefully, make a careful list of all articles, pack solidly in bundles wrapped securely in burlap.
2. Mark legibly on the package the name of the church which contributes it.
3. Attach enclosed shipping tag. Additional tags if needed can be secured from your State W. M. U. Secretary.
4. Send itemized list of articles and total estimated value and name of church contributing to your State W. M. U. Secretary, but do not ship any goods to Richmond.

We implore those who would help to act as quickly as possible. Mr. Hoyt E. Porter, our own representative, is in Russia looking after the distribution of food and clothing sent by Southern Baptists.

"Love must go into this service."

#### COME TO THE ASSEMBLY.

Hattiesburg, Miss., July 23- July 29th.

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Miss Margaret Lackey, State Sec.; Miss Fannie Taylor, Jackson, Miss.; Mrs. A. J. Aven, Clinton, Miss.; Miss Juliette Mather, Baltimore, Md.

##### B. Y. P. U. Work.

Auber J. Wilds, State Sec.; J. B. Moseley, Shreveport, La. Other workers. Charlie Butler, inimitable singer, leader and entertainer, assisted by Miss Katherine Donald, will have charge of Assembly Music.

Program consists of classes each morning, study recreation, games and social features in the afternoon; Sunset Service and Lectures in the evening; sermons on the 23rd. by Dr. J. B. Lawrence.

Churches, Sunday Schools, B. Y. P. U.'s, W. M. U.'s see that you are well represented at the South Miss. Assembly.

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## A BEAUTIFUL SUGGESTION.

We quote the following letter with pleasure. As will be seen it comes from an appreciative pastor, who is always ready to send good things and good thought on to his others:

"You know preachers are caught in lots of showers; but I got the benefit of a new sort of shower recently. You may have heard of such before and they may be familiar to the W. M. U. but it was a new experience to me.

It happened like this: While I was pastor at Camden the ladies were very thoughtful about having beautiful flowers in the church on preaching days. I love flowers and appreciated this thoughtfulness on the part of the ladies very much. When I came to Laurel I found that some of my members had beautiful Hydrangeas and Dahlias. So I sent some of these flowers to Camden for the next preaching day. Soon there came back a nice letter of appreciation, and with it what they called "The Scripture Shower". Each member of the society sent a choice passage of Scripture. As I read them over I thought of the verses in the closing of the 55th chapter of Isaiah; and I determined that the verses should bear fruit. So I am planning to use them as foundations for prayer meeting talks and sermons; and if I can make them sufficiently interesting I want to give them to the readers of the Record. This is the one I used for my talk last night; and I am preparing an article on it for the paper: "As I was with Moses so I will be with thee; I will not fail thee nor forsake thee." How appropriate for a fellow who is just launching into a hard situation!

Now here is the thing I am driving at; if it is not already their custom it seems to me that our women could accomplish much good, lend much sympathy and encouragement to many different peoples by "The Scripture Shower". A shower for the sick, a shower for the disconsolate, a shower for a helper, and sometimes a shower for the hindered or the indifferent.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) BRYAN SIMMONS.

Those of us who enjoyed the message from Brs. Simon's shower next in the last Record will realize what splendid results are coming from this shower already. Let's act on his helpful suggestion and "pass on".

## A SOUTHERN SUMMER PICTURE.

Tis a beautiful world Thou'st given us, Lord;  
 And our hearts would attune unto fullest accord,  
 With the heart of Dame Nature whose gladness is shown,  
 In the scene her child, Summer, has painted her own.

Just look on yon landscape whose canvass extends  
 Over miles of mixed verdure, through which softly blends—  
 Mid the sunshine and shadow that flecks the whole view,—  
 That gray filmy haze Indian Summer smiles through.

Both yonder and here wave the tassels of corn,  
 Full of secrets the zephyrs have caught from the Morn;  
 Just between lies the meadow all crimson and gold,  
 With its wealth of sweet clover and daises untold.

Adown in yon valley mid mortar and clay,  
 The village is fretting for things that decay;  
 While far to the rear on the brow of the hill,  
 God's Acre lies gleaming so white and so still.

Above the whole scene smiles the clear arching blue,  
 Flecked with just enough cloud to add beauty thereto;  
 And across the bright canvass wee birds float along,  
 Lending voice to the vision in glorious song.

Tis a beautiful world Thou'st given us Lord,  
 And we pray Thee attune our hearts in accord  
 To the heart of great Nature, who speaks of Thy love,  
 In the landscape below and the azure above.

MARGARET MCRAE LACKEY.

Are you planning to attend one of the Summer Encampments? If you can so arrange it will be well worth your effort. The WMU work at both Encampments will of itself be a great feature.

The new Year Books are on the way! We know all societies will rejoice at this news. They will be sent out, along with our State Minutes and some other literature as soon as possible. We do thank the sisters for being so patient with us. Delays are sometimes unavoidable; but we can make them a means of grace if we will.

When you get this issue of the Record, Miss Lackey will be in the midst of the Tate County Encampment, where she teaches the Manual of WMU Methods; and gives also an hour each day to society methods. This is a new Encampment from which we are expecting great results in the future as well as the present.

## A WORD OF EXPLANATION.

In my appeal sent out to the Woman's Missionary Societies, for aid on our new church building, I made this statement: "Your worthy President and Secretary heartily endorse this plan." This statement has been misunderstood by some. It has absolutely no connection with the idea of a Memorial to Miss Lackey. The hearty endorsement of the plan refers only to the appeal for \$5000 from the Woman's Missionary Societies of Mississippi. Mrs. Aven and Miss Lackey both heartily endorse the appeal. The letter sent out to the various societies was submitted neither to Mrs. Aven nor Miss Lackey for their approval.

The idea of memorializing Miss Lackey in this offering was born in my own heart, with the view of expressing appreciation of one who has devoted ten of the best years of her life to the W. M. U. of Mississippi. Mrs. Aven and Miss Lackey were not asked to endorse the plan for the

this memorial. I did not deem it necessary to have the approval of either, since the idea of giving \$5000 as a memorial is merely a suggestion of mine; and since many of the windows of the building are to be taken by and for persons outside of the membership of the local church. The Clinton church is of state-wide denominational importance, and I am sure that the local congregation will gladly approve of a memorial window to any Baptist who has rendered service to the denomination.

Now what will this memorial window cost? Possibly \$60.00, with name and emblem. This amount will be taken from the total contribution by the W. M. U. and used for the purchase of the window.

M. O. PATTERSON.

## NOTICE! COLUMBUS ASSOCIATION W. M. U.

The Associational Rally for Columbus Association will be held on July 28th at First Church, Columbus. This embraces churches in Clay and Lowndes. A splendid program has been arranged. The evening's program will be devoted to the young people. There will be inspiration talks by visitors.

Delegates will please send names to Mrs. George Ford, and state what train you will arrive on.

Let us make this the best meeting in the history of our association. Come and bring your young people with you.

Mrs. M. E. PATTERSON, Asst. Supt.

Evangelist T. O. Reese and Singer Theo. H. Farr, recently assisted Rev. L. B. Crawford, Richland, Ga., in a great revival. These brethren are to be with pastor Robinson at Pontotoc, Miss. Aug. 16th.

## B. Y. P. U. DEPARTMENT

AUBER J. WILDS, Field Secretary, Oxford, Miss.  
"We Study That We May Serve."

The three Unions of Liberty, Enterprise and Webb met at Liberty, May 27, and organized a Tri-Union. Our pastor had been so instrumental in helping us to organize that we named the organization in his honor, "The C. T. Johnson Tri-Union." A very interesting program was rendered after which the following officers were elected, Grady Rice, President, Murray Causey, Vice President and Lena Dixon, Secretary.

On June 24, the Tri-Union met at Enterprise. A splendid program was rendered by members from each of the three unions. Everyone enjoyed this meeting. We are going to meet once each month.

We are very proud of this union and we feel that God is going to bless our organization, and much good may be derived from our efforts.

The Baptist Young People of New Zion, Copiah County, met together April 2, 1922 and organized a good live Senior BYPU.

The following officers were elected. President Mrs. Miriam Eady, Vice President Mott L. Pevey; Secretary, Mrs. Eunice Taylor; Treasurer, Mrs. Pearl Millsaps; Cor. Sec., Mrs. B. H. Millsaps; Plant'st Miss Lucile Thornton; Chorister, Frank Taylor; Ruby Taylor, Bailey Manning, Mrs. Walker, and Tommie Millsaps group captains.

We have forty nine members who are very enthusiastic.

June 24, we met at the school auditorium for the quarterly social. After various contests and games were played refreshments were served. Everybody expressed themselves as thoroughly enjoying the evening.

Mrs. B. H. Millsaps, Cor. Sec.

### OUR SUMMER WORKERS

I want to introduce through the Baptist Record to our host of interested BYPU boosters the three extra workers who are giving some time to the teaching and organizing BYPU's this summer. Miss Hattie Bell McCracken, graduate of Mississippi Women's College, who served as BYPU Director the last two years of her college life. Miss Ethel Parker of DeSoto, Miss., a school teacher who was never too busy to serve the Lord, and found her sphere with the young in BYPU work. Her experience is large and she knows the work because she learned it through experience. Mr. J. H. Pennebaker, a student of the Baptist Bible Institute. A Mississippi man, but who now lives in Columbus, Ky. That is his parents live there. Mr. Pennebaker gave up an active business life to enter the work of the Lord, and is specializing for his life work. These three workers are in the field this week, and are making things hum wherever they are. They will work through August and BYPU work will get a great boost as a result of their work this summer.

### A JUNIOR BYPU FOR RIPLEY.

Miss Hattie Bell McCracken, one of our summer BYPU workers has just finished a Training School for the Rip-

ley young people. While there, in addition to teaching the Seniors, she organized what promises to be a first class Junior Union with Miss Louise Spight and Miss Virginia Hines elected as the leaders.

## East Mississippi Department

### OAKVALE.

Beginning the 2nd Sunday in July I was with Pastor B. E. Phillips and his good people in a revival meeting at Oakvale, Lawrence County. The church had been praying and the Spirit it was present from the beginning.

The meeting continued till Thursday night with large crowds attending each service. Visible results: 10 for baptism, one a man of 75 years, four by letter, the book was read by twenty eight reading a total of 614 chapters, 28 pledged themselves to read the New Testament through by the end of the year and a weekly prayer meeting was started.

This church under the leadership of its noble pastor, is well organized. It pledged well to the 75 Million Campaign, has put the Baptist Record in all the homes of the church, the Sunday school, BYPU and WMU are doing a good work.

There were not a great number in the community who did not belong to some church and most of them to the Baptist church. This seems to be good Baptist sail as 75 percent of all church members are Baptist. Oakvale is a splendid little town. Her people seem to be happy and friendly. The church loves its pastor and he loves them so I look for great work in the future.

They were exceedingly kind to the visiting preacher and he left them rejoicing that God let him that way.

To Him be all the glory.

### NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Oakland Church, Newton County, on the first Sunday, licensed Bro. Julius Searcy to preach. Blessings upon him.

In writing about the 4th of July picnic given by the BYPU of Oakland Church sister Gilbert said: "It did not seem like a picnic but was a day of worship with us."

The saints at New Hebron are putting a new coat of paint on their house of worship and will place new pews soon. Pastor Phillips is happy.

Bro. Sweany conducted a training school at the Industrial School at Columbia last week. He says that Prof. Jacobs is doing a wonderful work in this institution. Pray for him and his charges.

The writer is with Pastor A. B. Culpepper in a revival meeting at Bluff Springs, Kemper County, this week.

The Flying Squadron of Christian business men of Jackson is being talked of over the State. This may be the beginning of a State wide revival. So make it be.

R. L. BRELAND.

### ALLEN

It was my privilege to return to Allen in Warren County for a six days meeting, to labor with the coming, consecrated young pastor W. J. Gray, and his noble people.

Notwithstanding some illness of the pastor, the rain, work, and other disabilities the interest grew until the last service. When the people came to service in the rain.

Three additions and church greatly revived. We give God the glory.

Yours in Him,

D. W. BISHOP.

### THE NORFIELD LOGGING CAMP REVIVAL

It was the writer's happy privilege to work with Bro. Hemphill and his devoted people at the camp from July second through the seventh. We organized a Baptist Church with the large majority of the Baptist of the camp and received six for baptism by experience. This is an unusual camp for its clean morality, great hospitality, and spiritual interest in the kingdom work.

These attitudes with their noble alert pastor whom they love much made the week's work to me a pleasure indeed.

May God use the pastor and people to lead others to the lamb of God in the prayer of you devoted servant,

D. W. BISHOP.

### EUPORA.

The meeting at Eupora began Monday night, June 26, and though it was Monday and J. W. Mayfield of McComb, Miss. did not reach us until time to start he and the Church both made a good showing and we started at high tide. We had daily spiritual feasts until the close the following Sunday night. This was a short meeting but every moment of it was crammed full of the best and we had more really mountain top experiences than many meetings have that run three or four weeks.

We had 17 accessions to our church, nine by letter and eight by baptism. We had one conversion that will join the Methodist Church. Our church was greatly blessed in having Brother J. W. Mayfield. We want to take this method of thanking that great Church at McComb for letting off this noble man of the Lord to bless us a few days with his great messages. You will be blessed in it for we have become a band of God's children that is praying his blessings upon you and your noble pastor. God bless you.

Cordially,

N. A. EDMONDS, pastor.

### MOUNT OREL MEETING.

It was the writer's privilege to help Pastor P. G. Harper in his meeting at Mount Orel Church, near Laurel the first week in July. Although it was fourth of July week the attendance was good and the interest fine. There were eight accessions on the night of the Fourth of July. There was a total of twenty-one accessions, thirteen for baptism and seven by letter and statement.

Many pledged to cultivate religion in the home and also to put better business methods in their church work. Bro. Harper is a good pastor, and his people are anxious to know and

to do the Lord's will. May the blessings of God attend their efforts.

Yours in Christian service,

BRYAN SIMMONS.

### OAKVALE CHURCH.

Our meeting at Oakvale closed July 13th. Brother R. L. Breland of Philadelphia did the preaching. His messages were doctrinal, spiritual and powerful. The visible results of the meeting were 28 pledged themselves to read the New Testament thru. A weekly prayer meeting was organized and 14 joined the church, ten of whom were for baptism one being 75 years of age.

During the four years that I have been pastor of this church I have found them willing to do any good work they were called on to do. They have their church well organized and going forward in the work. The ladies had the inside of the church and the pews painted just before the meeting

B. E. PHILLIPS  
New Hebron, Miss.

HON. M. C. McGEHEE.

On the thirty first of January past our country lost one of the greatest and best citizens that it has ever claimed. A leader in our county of all things that were for the advancement of the Manter's kingdom. Brother McGehee was the main factor in erecting a church at Mt. Zion that is one of the best houses of worship that has ever been built in our country and excelled by very few in the state in the rural districts. He was a faithful, zealous and efficient servant of the Lord.

At his death he was a faithful and highly active and wide awake deacon of the Mt. Zion church. Was a Shriner and lived up to all the obligations of this noble order. Had represented this district in the state senate. Was at the time of his death a member of our County Agricultural High School which was established largely through his efforts.

He leaves to mourn his going a very devoted wife and family of seven children many of whom are occupying places of prominence and other that are rapidly developing into fine Christian young men and women. No man in our midst enjoyed a larger circle of friends than he. "THY WILL BE DONE" dear Lord and lead us to follow where the Master has led this one that has fallen asleep.

### MEETING AT BOGUE CHITTO.

On July the 3rd Bogue Chitto Baptist Church began a ten days meeting with H. M. King, Second Church, Jackson doing the preaching.

Most of the preaching was to the church. We as a church feel like we were aroused. We feel as if we would like to remain for a while in a waking condition and claim the promises of God.

Outen were added to the church, seven by baptism.

It was our pleasure to have Mrs. King the latter part of meeting. She held special services for young people.

We were blessed in having them in our midst.

Yours for service.

R. D. STRINGER.  
Bogue Chitto, Miss.

## GOD'S QUESTIONS.

I gave you a life to live for Me.  
I made you brave and strong;  
I gave you courage and liberty  
To battle against all wrong.  
Have you lived this life as you should  
have done?

Have you given your very best  
Are you ready for your reward,  
A home in My Heavely rest?

I gave you a soul to bring to Me:  
It was bought with your Saviour's  
loss,  
By His life of pain and cruelty,  
And the strain of the heavy cross.  
Have you kept it free from the marks  
of sin?

By the hand of the Holy One:  
Have you kept the faith and leaned  
alone  
On the strength of My Risen Son?

I gave you a task to do for Me  
When you lived in My world below.  
To speak a word of sympathy,  
A seed of love to sow.  
Have you brought your task to a fin-

ished off?

To lay at your Master's feet?

I gave you a child to keep for Me,  
A little sinless soul,  
As pure as the snow that falls from  
Heaven.  
To grow to Heaven's goal.  
Where are the gifts I gave to you?  
With a Father's love so true?  
What have you done as a help to Me  
Who has done so much for you?

(Rose H. Gray, in the Christian Observer).

## WHAT THEN?

When the great plants of our cities  
Have turned out their last finished  
work;  
When our merchants have sold out  
their last yard of silk  
And dismissed the tired clerk;  
When our banks have raked in their  
last dollars  
And paid their last dividend;  
When the Judge of the world says  
close for the night  
And asks for a balance. What Then?

When the choir has sung its last an-  
them,  
And the preacher has prayed his  
last prayer  
When the people have heard their last  
sermon  
And the sound has died out on the  
air;

When the Bible lies closed on the altar  
And the pews are all empty of men  
And each one stands facing their rec-  
ord—

Then?

And the great book is open—What

When the players have played their  
last drama  
And the tragic has made his last  
fun;  
When the film has flashed its last  
picture  
And the call-board displayed its last  
run;  
When the crowds seeking pleasure  
have vanished  
And gone out in the darkness again;  
When the trumpet of ages is sounded

And we stand up before Him—What  
Then?

When the bugle's last call sinks in  
silence  
And the long marching columns  
stand still;  
When the captain has given his last  
orders  
And they've captured the last fort  
and hill;  
When the flag has been hauled from  
the mast head,  
And the wounded afield have check-  
ed in;  
And a world that rejected its Saviour  
Is asked for a reason—What then?

(T. W. Green)

A BAPTIST PATRIOTIC AND  
PIOUS PILGRIMAGE—JULY  
FOURTH

Despite weather and road conditions  
a fine picnic crowd of Baptists from  
six sections of the surrounding country  
gathered, over a hundred strong,  
to celebrate the glorious fourth and  
pay due respect to the memory of  
their spiritual ancestors of the Old  
Magnolia Baptist Church. Their historic  
building stands nearly four miles  
west of Port Gibson on the Rodney  
road. It was erected in 1853, one  
year after the constitution of the  
church organization. The house is in  
the state of preservation, notwithstanding  
that it was badly shot up  
during the Battle of Port Gibson, May  
1, 1863.

The Baptist Picnic was held at the  
Shaifer Iron Bridge about a mile further  
west on the same historic highway. The very road which was used  
by the Northern army en route to be-  
seige Vicksburg. This beautiful valley,  
surrounded by a picturesque country as the Gulf Hills anywhere afford,  
was the resting place of General  
Grant's forces the night before  
the Battle of Port Gibson was fought.  
Even the same tree under which the  
General took his breakfast is pointed  
out to the credulous visitors.

The scenery cannot be surpassed, if  
equaled, elsewhere in our charming  
county of Claiborne. The deep glens,  
wild and impenetrable, stately moss-  
covered trees of endless varieties,  
heavy growths of native grasses, cane,  
flowers and ferns, fertile valleys, lim-  
pid streams, high tumbling precipitous  
hills, all these and much more  
charm and challenge at every turn of  
view. Through the heart of this "deep  
tangled wild wood" the celebrated  
Port Gibson and Rodney road climbs  
over hills and crawls through tunnels  
in its successful effort to follow  
the Indian trail of the long ago.

The big basket dinner was spread  
amid such natural splendor and most  
heartily enjoyed. The church committees  
on sports, finance, refreshment  
and transportation had done all that  
was needful for a full day of outing.

Games and wading were the delight of  
youth while the older folks mixed in  
considerable with them and rested  
along as they talked about their spiritual  
forefathers of the eventful yesterday. History tells of active Baptists  
in this region more than one hundred years ago. The picnic valley  
was near the foot of "Meetinghouse Hill," a place so-called because  
long before there was a church anywhere near, the Baptists held regular

built on the crest of this hill. Hard  
by too, runs the creek where the con-  
verts, both white and black, were  
baptized.

Several friends of the Methodist  
Christian, Episcopal and Presbyterian  
congregations added much to the  
pleasure of the day.

At 3 P. M. the crowd moved toward  
the Magnolia church, where the pastor  
together with representative members  
of the colored church were present  
to welcome the white Baptists  
from the Port Gibson church on their  
pious journey to the house and  
grounds of their mother church. A  
brief service of song, prayer, Bible  
reading and remarks was conducted  
by the visiting pastor of the Port  
Gibson church. The very Record Book  
of the antebellum church was opened  
and a few selections were read from  
their conference proceedings of other  
years.

It was found that masters and  
slaves were members of the same  
church, also that in 1867 the present  
Magnolia church (colored) was organized  
from the colored membership of  
the old white church and that the  
building was used by both till 1871,  
when this privilege was formally with-  
drawn. The Port Gibson Baptist  
church (white) was constituted, in  
1872, largely by members from the  
Magnolia congregation. Then strangely  
but Scripturally true, just as Abraham  
was father to Isaac and Ishmael  
so the original church was mother to  
the White Baptist church of Port Gibson  
and to the present colored Magnolia  
Baptist church. In her declining  
days the mother church gave the  
house to the Port Gibson church and  
then this body sold the same to the  
colored Baptists in 1875. They still  
control the property, keeping it in  
good repair and holding regular services  
therein.

Pictures were made of the basket  
feast, Meeting House Hill, Grant's  
Tree, the Battle Field, a happy people  
and the Old Magnolia Church building  
and grounds. Thus the holiday was  
made a memorable event in Baptist  
history. Thereby a memorial was set  
up to the blessed memory of those  
who labored first in the Vineyard and  
into whose labors our faithful membership  
has entered. Gracious and inspiring  
will ever be the recollection of the  
heroic struggles of a noble people  
who were led by such pastors as  
Wm. F. Green, M. W. Chrestman, F.  
Kingsberry, Wm. Green, A. R. Lum,  
E. C. Eager and David I. Purser.

S. P. MORRIS

## HOW TO GROW IN GRACE

Add to your FAITH virtue etc;  
We do not ADD faith; we are born

(spiritually) with FAITH. Faith  
places us on the foundation (Christ),  
then we may build on that foundation,  
and the way to build is to add—add  
one thing to another, and the Scrip-  
ture tells us what material to build or  
to add, and gives it to us in order.

When a carpenter begins to build on  
a foundation that has been laid, he  
knows what kind of material to add  
first.

The Holy Spirit gives the new born  
babe in Christ a list of material to  
build with. Now what is the first  
material, and the next etc? Virtue,  
Temperance, Patience, Godliness,  
Brotherly Kindness and Charity. The  
way to add or build with these things  
in our lives is to "Submit Ourselves  
to God" (James 4:7) and "Humble  
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tie Paul admonishes, "If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit." (Gal. 5:25).

One of the greatest works of the Holy Spirit is to guide us into all truth. If we are led by the Spirit, the result in our lives will be Love, Joy, Peace, Longsuffering, Gentleness, Faith (serving Faith), Meekness, and Temperance. The Holy Spirit is in us, and wants to lead us. He will talk to us at any time and tell us what to do, and what is the will of God. Do we want to hear Him? Then open the lids of the Bible and read, remembering that the Holy Spirit is the Dictator of the Bible, every word of it. "All Scriptures is given by inspiration of God." When you get a letter from a loved one, you are eager to get it open and read. Why? Because the information gotten from the letter is the expression and desire of the heart of that loved one made known to you. We have many letters from the Holy Spirit in the Bible, but He is not speaking so much of himself, but is taking the things of Christ, who is all and all, and is showing them to us.

The writers of the Bible were not only moved by the Holy Spirit to write the things they wrote, but the things written are especially for our benefit, and are profitable to us for doctrine, for reproof, for correction and for instruction in Righteousness. I do not say that we may always be led by the Holy Spirit, neither do I say it is easy to follow Him, because we are hindered by self, that is THE FLESH. We are not of the flesh, but of the Spirit, but nevertheless we are dwelling with the flesh and the flesh lusteth after the things of the flesh, and the spirit after the things of the spirit and the two (the inward and the outward man) are contrary one to the other. When the mind is occupied by the Spirit, it is easy to follow the Holy Spirit, but when the mind is occupied by the flesh we are liable to be drawn away of our own lust, and when we are thus drawn away we are not following Him, but are grieving Him. If we want to grow, we must feast upon the Spiritual food, of which the Bible is so full, and pray.

One of the most important things we are taught is: "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteous-

ness, and all temporal blessings will be added unto you."

What is the Kingdom of God? Righteousness, Peace and Joy in the Holy Ghost. What does that teach us? To take our minds off the carnal things and let it dwell or meditate upon the Spiritual things. Do not worry about the affairs of this life. Do not allow the mind to be always employed in worldly affairs; don't be so careful about laying up money here on earth, because we cannot take any of that which we lay up here with us to HEAVEN. How? Every dollar given to the Lord is credited to our account in Heaven. It will not be silver and gold up there, but SPIRITUAL EXCHANGE, REWARDS.

Then I say we may grow in Grace every day.

First, by submitting ourselves to God.

Second by humbling ourselves in the sight of God.

Third, by following the Holy Spirit that is reading and studying the Bible.

Fourth, by walking in the Spirit, that is keeping our minds employed in meditating in Spiritual thoughts.

Fifth, by seeking first the kingdom of God, which is righteousness; peace and joy in the Holy Ghost.

Sixth, by laying up treasure in Heaven, that is giving to the Lord's cause.

Seventh, earnest and fervent prayer. There is no compelling power that rules in our lives to force us to do these things. We are exhorted, begged, besought and advised to do them; it is a blessed privilege we have. We ought to strive against carnal lusts reading at least thirty minutes in God's word; we ought always to pray regularly, at certain times or regular hours, for that is humbling ourselves to God; we ought to meditate on the goodness of God (Spiritual thought) part of every day we live; thoughts and not be so careful about our every day affairs, and we should give liberally of all we get to the Lord. If we will follow these things we will grow in Grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord, Jesus Christ, and we will unconsciously find ourselves drawing nearer to God and enjoying the real joy of salvation, and

that more abundant life which our Saviour made it possible for us to enjoy.

"I am come that they might have life and that they might have it ABUNDANTLY." (John 10:10).

J. E. HEATH.

TYLERTOWN.

Editor Record: Our annual protracted meeting, extending over a period of eight days, closed last night. Our pastor, Rev. W. A. Roper, did the preaching, and the singing was led by home talent. Though it was Fourth of July week, we had a most gracious series of services. The congregations were splendid from the start; the interest and co-operation gratifying; and the results such as to gladden the hearts of all who are concerned in the spiritual well-being of our community. Sixteen were received upon a profession of their faith in our Lord, and four by letter from other churches. When we add to this,

the number received at regular services the last summer we have a total for the year of fifty-six.

Our Sunday School has formed the good habit of breaking its own records. Some months since it went to '50. Later, it climbed to 266. Sunday before last, the attendance, including 16 visitors, was 314. We are abreast of our financial obligations at home and abroad; every department of the work is being earnestly developed and, I think it safe to say, that the spiritual condition of our church life has never been better than it is today. For this we give thanks, above all, to our heavenly Father, and them acknowledge, with deep appreciation, the consecrated and able leadership of our beloved pastor.

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## BABSON ON 1922 CROP OUTLOOK.

Wellesley Hills, Mass. July 8, 1922. In discussing the general situation for the week Roger W. Babson the statistician today made the following analysis of the Crop Outlook.

"Today interest is centered around the prospective 1922 crop output. I cannot over-estimate the importance of agricultural products at this time, not only as a business barometer, but as the means of restoring confidence and a higher spending power in those sections that suffered most acutely during this depression period. I have traveled thru the grain and cotton areas and know the farmer carried more than his share of the readjustment responsibilities. Yet this is his story, and the farmer is looking forward with considerable optimism to probable developments during the next few years.

"The outstanding feature of the June Government report is that acreage of all wheat, oats, and rye is 2.2% less than a year ago, but the estimated yield is 15.1% greater. This means that growing conditions are yet to witness a year where crop scares and market price fluctuations did not materialize. Weather and insect ravages cannot be forecast, but as conditions now stand, the total grain output should about equal normal proportions. The winter wheat crop is now being harvested, the yield estimated at 3.4% over 1921.

"Spring wheat figures are placed at 18.8% more than a year ago, with the total considerably in excess of the ten-year average. Nevertheless, wheat is statistically strong. Our exportable surplus for the current year was placed at 255,000,000 bushels. Actual exports for the season approached 265,000,000 bushels. The relatively large crop is entirely offset by the limited carry-over. Australian and Argentine stocks are also limited. True, the price level of wheat is high compared with corn and oats. Wheat, however, is the natural leader and I would make one point clear; namely, that until Russia is again in a position to feed a great portion of Europe, the price of wheat in this country will remain high.

"The number of acres devoted to oats is 6.7% under a year ago. Still the prospective output is 23% more. The estimated yield is 1,305,000,000 bushels about equals the ten-year average. It is well known that oat prices are fundamentally too low. Considering the limited crop of a year ago and heavy consumption on the farms, the carry-over promises to rule far under normal proportions. This phase is not discounted by the present price level. I anticipate a higher average price level for oats during the 1922-23 season. The rye crop shows the most radical developments of all. Acreage is 13.3% over last year, while the prospective yield shows an increase of 40%. With the exception of 1918, this is the largest figure on record. There is no fundamental reason why rye should not follow the general trend of agricultural products.

"With the advent of the new crop a marked price elevation is not logical. Still no serious price decline should eventuate this fall, and the 1922-23 seasons rise should be more pronounced than in the season about to close. The Babson Agricultural Index of ten leading products is now quoted at 148 which shows a 28 point rise over the low during the fall of 1921. The elevation in agricultural products has already increased the spending power of the farmer. It should be remembered that 1922 producing costs, labor, fertilizer and transportation, are ranging on a more popular basis compared with recent years. Therefore, with good crops and a higher average price over the next year, the farmer's income is bound to return gradually to normal.

"I am particularly interested in cotton. The condition is now estimated around 70, which compares with a ten-year average of 75. Last year's crop was the smallest in modern history, yet the record carry-over constituted a total figure that successfully coped with the curtailed European and domestic demand. This year the carry-over is nearly back to normal proportions and a crop in excess of 11,500,000 bales is not indicated. This means that the total supply is about equal last year's figure, but the potential demand is greater.

"Europe has been taking between 5,000,000 and 6,000,000 bales annually since 1913," concluded Mr. Babson. "The pre-war figure was between 8,000,000 and 9,000,000 bales. Europe must buy raw cotton in greater quantity if she is to maintain supremacy in the finished product. With the settlement of the present textile strike, domestic consumption will be higher, not lower. Theoretically there is a world shortage of cotton and until the statistical position is corrected, a condition that cannot materialize for at least another year the average price will remain as high if not higher than the present level."

General business according to the index figure of the Babson chart stands as 17% below normal. This is the same as last week, and is favorable considering the serious loss suffered thru the various great labor strikes now in progress.

## Today's Economic Situation.

"There is a way really to help business during this period of readjustment! The reason that the various campaigns to cheer up business have failed is because, in the early part of a period of depression, business needs something more than cheering up. These periods of hard times are not merely a state of mind. They are the result of excesses, the same as a spell of sickness. They can be cured only by first removing the causes. So-called 'sun-shine' and 'boosting' campaigns are as futile as trying to cure a patient with stimulants when what he needs is a dose of physic!

"The present depression in business was not an accident. If you were watching fundamental conditions during 1919 or 1920, you knew full well that a depression would result. Moreover, you knew approximately how serious the depression would have to be.

"If some one starts borrowing money at the bank, neither we nor any one else can tell how much he will borrow. When, however, he has gone the limit, it is a simple matter of arithmetic to figure how much he will have

to pay back. Just so with a country's business. In the period of expansion we were borrowing and the inflation of all business statistics shows approximately how much we borrowed. Now we are paying back and the extent of the depression shows that so far we have not quite paid back half of the total. The whole sum must be paid back before we can hope for a period of full prosperity.

"We can, however, reduce the waste of this readjustment period. We can have very much better times than we have now. I do not refer to mass production. It would help nothing to double your output by doubling your labor force. This simply runs up expense, pushes up prices and creates more goods than you can sell. If, however, you can double your own individual output and the output of each of your employees, the readjustment problem for your particular plant will be solved.

"Get this fact clearly in mind. There is no such thing as a general oversupply of goods. All of the present talk about overproduction is fallacy. Both here and abroad there are millions now in great need of goods. There never will be a general oversupply of goods until everyone has more than he can use profitably.

"What we do see is a larger supply of goods than the consumer can buy—first, because the price is too high, second, because the consumer himself has not produced enough to earn the right to buy your goods. The second cause you yourself can do very little to remedy, except as you can influence the people with whom you come in contact. The first cause, however,—namely the price of your goods—you alone can change. If you can produce and sell your product a little cheaper than others are doing, you have no trouble in finding a market. I can point to certain concerns today which are working at capacity to fill orders, while others in the same industry are suffering depression. Remember, high prices do not make prosperity; it is the amount of service rendered which makes prosperity!

The most hopeful sign today is that an increasing number of business men are beginning to realize the above fact! This is fundamental improvement. Already it is being reflected in increased confidence and a more stable tone in general business conditions.

The outlook for business in nearly every line is better. We are now laying the foundation upon which a great period of prosperity later will be built

## MARION NORMAL.

July 1st ended the County Normal work of Marion County. In the

Western section the churches sent representatives to New Hope. The work was practically new much interest was manifested. There was an enrollment of 135 representing 11 churches. Four full time classes.

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266, churches represented, 28, classes taught, nine. Teachers, five, awards 149.

Let us hope other counties to follow and show such reports. In several respects this report exceeds the one of last year in same county.

## Teachers—

M. C. McDaniel.  
Rev. J. B. Quinn  
Rev. T. D. Cox  
Rev. W. R. Cooper  
Miss Jennie Watts.

D. B. Powell has been called to the work at the Wausau Baptist Church of Laurel and is expecting to have a great revival some time in the near future.

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## CAMP ANDERSON.

This meeting only ran from Tuesday morning until Sunday evening, Bro. Taylor from Goodyear doing the preaching, during that short time we had twenty seven additions to the church, 16 for baptism, 2 restored and 9 by letter. Sunday being the day set for baptizing, and no suitable place near the camps Mr. Dick Boutwell, the big-hearted Asst. Superintendent of the Rose Lumber Co., had one of their engines ready and after Sunday school about 75 happy hearts boarded the train and we were off to Long Branch for baptizing, which was soon over with, as we found after landing plenty of water as it had rained a big rain down there the evening before. Then the most enjoyable thing of it all took place, and yet one could not say it was the most essential thing, and as one o'clock had arrived it took this to satisfy. A few minutes were used in preparation, and in just a few minutes all kinds of good things to eat were before us, and most anybody can guess what took place for the next few minutes, fried chicken, chicken and rice, cakes and pies were in abundance and since that time the church, Sunday school and other religious work has been quite different, and it is my opinion that if we could have a little more of the social life developed in our churches, not only in towns but in the country we might be able to do more religiously. Religion is a thing a person can enjoy, and if we would just let folks know it we might get some of our pleasure seekers to try it.

B. F. SMITH.

## HATHORN.

Have just closed a fine meeting with pastor J. E. Sullivan at Hawthorne Mississippi. A great meeting, church greatly revived in many ways. 27 additions to the church, 26 of whom were by baptism. Bro. Sullivan is doing fine work here.

Best Wishes, J. B. QUINN.

## Mississippi State Tax Commission

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To the Board of Supervisors:  
Gentlemen:

You are now considering the assessments of property for taxation. This is one of the very most important duties, which has been entrusted to you by the people. There is much that you owe to the honest taxpayer.

I am sure that it is the desire of most Mississippians to contribute their fair portion toward the expenses of the State and County Governments; but, through fear that the officers of the law will not compel others to come up with their part, they undervalue their property, as they feel, to protect their rights. There are many, however, who have given in their assessment for the proper amounts; is surely would be unjust for you to permit them to bear a heavier burden on account of their honesty and patriotism; yet, this is what you will do if you do not bring up the undervaluations. There is no neglect of duty that could be worse to the taxpayer than this.

There is a third class of taxpayers, who are 100 percent tax-dodgers. There are near the Office of the State Tax Commission, in Jackson, the fossils of a Zeuglodon. These were pieces of his backbone. Each piece is about 2 foot long and seven inches in diameter. It is thought that this fish had about seventy feet of backbone.

There are some exceptions, but, in the main, the tax-dodgers are those who come before you with complaints as to their assessments. They even appear with their attorneys. The average citizen is willing to leave the equalization of his assessments to the officers of the law. Can you then impose a heavier burden on them by letting the tax-dodger escape taxation?

Take a lesson from this old fish. He swam the waters of the seas before Adam was made from the dust yet, he had backbone enough to remain as a memorial thousand of years after Adam was driven from the garden of Eden.

There are hundreds of thousands of children to be educated in Mississippi; there are many afflicted to be treated and cared for; there is the greatest need for the protection of our citizens from the ravages of tuberculosis and other malignant diseases; there is a great demand for better roads. How can the money be had for these things without taxation? How can taxation be just without a fair equalization of

assessments? How can there be a fair equalization unless you do your duty? Then take a lesson from this old fish—have backbone enough to be not moved by the walls of the tax-dodger. Like the fossils of this fish, the good work that you do, for the educational and material development of Mississippi will leave its memorial thousands of years after you have gone, in the development of the human family.

By the reduction of assessments, no relief from taxation can be given to the taxpayers of your county. The expenses of the County Government must be paid. A lower assessment would mean a higher tax rate; it would not mean a reduction of county taxes. This Commission has nothing to do with the expenses of any county government. You could reduce taxation by curtailing the expenses of the county government; but, if this is to

be done at the sacrifice of good government, of educational advantages for the youth and of the material development of the county, you had better be sure of your ground before taking such step. There is boundary line between the ability of the property owners in the county to contribute money to and the necessity for the expenditure of money for, the Education of the Youth, the Material Development of the County and the Support of the County Government; but this line is not well marked. The Supervisor are entrusted with the duty of finding this line, and using it as their limit, and it surely takes not only the best judgment to determine what is the wisest and best thing to do, but it takes also a backbone like this fish had to be able to say to your

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## MRS. LULA LAZENBY.

After several months of patient suffering Mrs. Lula Lazenby died June 10, 1922. She was a faithful member of the Courtland Baptist Church, Sunday School and Woman's Missionary Union.

Therefore be it Resolved:

1st. That while I go away was sad we bow in humble submission to the will of Him who doeth all things well.

2nd. That we cherish her memory as one who was always ready and willing to do what her hands found to do. She was a loving mother, a devoted wife, a helpful sister, a faithful church member, a loyal friend and a good neighbor.

3rd. That we extend our deepest sympathy to the bereaved husband, children, brother and sisters.

4th. That a copy of these resolutions be spread on the secretary's book of the W. M. U. and a copy be sent to the Baptist Record.

MRS. FRANK FIGG, Sec.  
Courtland, Miss.  
July 6, 1922.

## The Picayune Sunday School Normal

Monday following the fourth Sunday in June we began our week of teacher training. Bro. Byrd, Bro. Wyatt Hunter and Mrs. Corine Byrd were our teachers. There were between 60 and 70 enrolled for the work.

Eighteen have finished the Normal and wait for their diplomas; others, some five or six lack one or more sections of the Manual and will finish it soon; nine took examination in other books and are ready for seals. Several churches were represented, making it more than a local school.

The social feature was fine made possible by our good ladies, who, in groups, served lunch each evening. One of our members entertained us with a water-melon cutting one night after the class period.

The teachers were entirely satisfactory. We think ourselves exceedingly fortunate to have gotten such a fine trio. We have had Bro. Byrd so long until I sometimes fear we fail to appreciate his real weight and worth. He spoke to our church Sunday night of the 25th, giving us a fine start for Monday morning. His message was convincing and powerful, and every class period he taught was of interest and great helpfulness. More and more does his usefulness grow in my thinking and I appreciate him more deeply and highly than ever.

P. ESTES.

## A SPECIAL OFFER TO BAPTISTS

We have just published a 24 page pamphlet edition of "Stewardship Born of God" which we regard as the most terse and easily understood Scriptural argument in behalf of tithing we have ever read. It is written by a Baptist Layman.

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## WATER VALLEY MEETING

We had Dr. R. B. Gunter of Jackson with us for ten days. From the start we had fine congregations. Dr. Gunter lifted the Christians here in Water Valley. His standard of church membership was high. One brother said, "That preacher wants you to be saved before you join the church." I am now convinced brethren that the one crying need of this hour is a high standard of church membership. It is certainly fine to have your meeting close so that the pastor can go on to greater things. Dr. Gunter emphasized a closer walk with God all the way through. The whole church and pastor feels the great power of this meeting. May the Father give our brother a great victory this year in the great work as secretary of our board.

WAYNE ALLISTON.

## MEMORY.

Brother M. M. Barber, for many years, a faithful member of the Baptist church of Gallman, had recently gone to Texas to live with his daughter, but on June 14, 1922, after having lived seventy years, departed this life leaving the wife, several children and many friends to cherish his memory. A good man, a tender husband and father is gone. The body was brought back and laid to rest in the Cemetery at Gallman. The funeral was conducted by pastor J. C. Parker by whom many words of comfort were spoken for the sorrowing.

B. F. Tillman  
W. C. Shipp  
A. V. Ford  
Committee.

On Sunday June 11th, Mrs. L. W. Mosby of Love, Miss. after a lingering illness of several months went to her long home whence there is no return.

It is not my purpose to write a conventional obituary of my friend, but to tell the readers of the Record something of the passing of the sweetest soul that ever looked from human eyes.

Mrs. Mosby was a rare character, beautiful of face, bubbling over with the very joy of living, optimistic, radiant ever. She was lively and lovable.

Her heart and purse and time were given to her home and to her neighbor. No night was too dark or day too cold but she went to the call of the needy. She would empty her purse and take the clothes from her own person if there was no other way. The poor, the down trodden, the widow, the orphan sought her as the flowers seek the dew and none was ever turned away. Whatever she said or did was done in His name and for His sake.

Not within the memory of any one living has there been such a conourse of people as gathered at her funeral at Ebenezer church, the home, the windows and yard being full.

Loving friends laid her away in the cemetery at Hernando and then literally banked her grave with the beautiful flowers sent by friends and relatives.

She leaves a husband and a dear little daughter, many relatives and hosts of friends to mourn her going.

LULA F. SMITH.

## THE DEATH OF ROBERT STEVENS

Just as go to press the sad news comes that little Robert Stevens died at the Baptist Hospital at 8:30 May 4.

Robert was 10 years and a fine boy and he had always enjoyed good health.

In Feb. he had "flu" and he has not been well since, and has been in the Baptist hospital most of the time since. Soon after he had flu he developed a stubborn case of kidney trouble that yielded only temporarily to treatment. Some times he would seem to be better, but only for a short time, then it would set up anew, and he would have to be sent back to the hospital.

Last week he complained of his ear and was carried back to the hospital and we feared mastoid trouble which might result in an operation, but after a few days his ear seemed to get better. Then Pneumonia set up, and he grew worse until 8:30 Thursday night when death came to his relief. Robert and Lorene came to the Baptist Orphanage 6 yrs. ago from Columbia, Miss. father and mother both dead.

Lorene is heart-broken, between sobs she said, "I had no father and no mother and now I have no brother."

May we pray that our heavenly Father will bless and sustain her and help her to grow up and be a useful Christian woman.

"And that he may be a father to the fatherless."

J. R. Carter.

(Copied from the Orphanage Gem and sent to The Baptist Record by

Jessie Mae Gray.)

Grenada, Miss., R. No. 6.

## PASCAGOULA.

Our meeting closed last night. Bro. R. L. Cooper did us great service in leading the singing. He is great. Everybody here loves him and we want him again. The pastor did the preaching. There were especially good crowds at the night services. The church is greatly encouraged and is hopeful for the future. 25 new members were received, 14 for baptism. This makes 40 additions to the church since March, the time I began to supply from New Orleans. We are praising God and going forward. Baptist stock is higher here now and there are more bidders.

Fraternally,

W. B. HAYNIE, pastor.

## RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas, God is His infinite love and wisdom has seen fit to call from our midst our beloved sister, Mrs. W. R. May.

Whereas, Mrs. May has been, since the organization of the Womans' Missionary Society in D'Lo Baptist Church, a most faithful and helpful member.

Therefore be it resolved:

1. Our deepest sympathy with him in a loss so serious.

2. Our high esteem for him as a Christian gentleman and faithful laborer.

3. Our genuine appreciation of his tireless and successful efforts in bringing the Building Loan Fund of the Home Mission Board to its present stable and promising condition, well past the million dollar mark.

4. Our assurance to him of our abiding interest in his constant well-being and continued usefulness in the sphere

charitable christian character her memory shall be fondly cherished by us through the coming years.

Third That our hearts deepest sympathy goes out to her beloved family in these hours of sorrow.

Fourth That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family for whom she delighted to live. And to the D'Lo Herald, Simpson Co. News and Baptist Record for publication.

Mrs. W. S. LANDRUM.  
Mrs. T. L. OSTEEN  
Mrs. OSCAR EVERITT.  
Committee

Mrs. E. C. COLLIER.

On Wednesday afternoon, May 24, at 5 o'clock, the death angel knocked softly at the door of Mrs. and Mrs. B. M. Myres and called to rest their aged grandmother, Mrs. E. C. Collier.

Mrs. Collier was 89 years of age. She became a christian early in life and was a very devoted church member. She was a member of the church at Sumrall and was a regular attendant at services up until a few weeks before her death. Her bright face was ever an inspiration to her pastor.

"Grandma" (as she was known here) was taken ill about six weeks before her death but was not confined to her bed but three weeks. She had on to life in a way that was remarkable for one of her age.

She leaves a host of friends and relatives who will miss her, but we rejoice to know, that after a long life of service here, she is now resting with the Heavenly Father.

## MINISTER AVAILABLE.

I am writing you relative to a good pastor, who is available. He is one of the most wide awake, and energetic workers with whom I am acquainted. He has just given up work as a pastor, and is open for a like work, any church desiring to get in touch with this earnest, consecrated gospel preacher, and energetic wide awake pastor, can do so by writing to me. I have known him for nearly two years, and know him to be tried and true.

Address, Mrs. E. B. Blackwell,  
Pascagoula, Miss.

## DR. L. B. WARREN.

Your committee charged with the preparation of suitable resolutions relative to the severance by Dr. L. B. Warren of his official relation to the Home Mission Board, present:

In accepting by his insistence the resignation of Dr. L. B. Warren as Superintendent of the Department of Church Extension of The Home Mission Board because of the great affliction of the loss of his physical vision, we record:

1. Our deepest sympathy with him in a loss so serious.

2. Our high esteem for him as a Christian gentleman and faithful laborer.

3. Our genuine appreciation of his tireless and successful efforts in bringing the Building Loan Fund of the Home Mission Board to its present stable and promising condition, well past the million dollar mark.

4. Our assurance to him of our abiding interest in his constant well-being and continued usefulness in the sphere

of service he may find it fitting to set his hand.

5. Our purpose to enter these expressions of loving interest in him upon the official records of the Home Mission Board, to furnish a copy of them to Dr. L. B. Warren, and to provide copies for our Denominational papers.

## Committee

John M. Green  
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Mrs. George Westmoreland.

"Ninety-five percent of the railroad men would vote dry if prohibition was put up to them", is the declaration of J. H. McIlhenny, secretary and treasurer of Division No. 565 of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, Newcastle, Pa.

"The union labor leader who says that the workingman wants his beer and wine is either a big fool or has invested his money in a brewery and has outlived his usefulness.

"Any so-called labor leader, boss or politician who tries to make the people believe the lauring men are crying for the repeal of the Volstead Law, is an enemy of labor, and like the war profiteer is simply throwing a smoke screen to hide his own contemptible hide.

"The sense of security that an engineer, conductor and dispatcher now has when compared with other days is of such incomparable value to us that even to think of going back to pre-Volstead times will be enough to cause every red-blooded, clean-thinking, true American, two-fisted fighting man, to rise in his might and forever crush this curse of humanity.

Admitting that many of the labor men are not "what Billy Sunday would call dry" in that they'd take a drink if it was offered, Mr. McIlhenny concludes, "Don't let them kid you that we railroad men want booze resurrected. Whoever says we do is a liar and the truth is not in him."

Warren S. Stone, Grand Chief of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, expressed it as his opinion that drunkenness has decreased at least 75 per cent among the workers. "In my study of labor problems", says Mr. Stone, "I find a marked improvement in the number of men who are saving their money and who own their homes or are buying them. And I find a decided improvement in the home life of workers due to the fact that the women and children have more food, more clothing and better care in every way."

## SOUTH PASCAGOULA.

We believe here is one of the greatest mission fields in the State.

We have here in the International Shipbuilding Cos. yards one of the Federal Vocational Schools. As most already know these are rehabilitation centers for disabled soldiers of the recent war. We have here three hundred of

them have their wives, and there are at least one hundred fifty little children amongst them. Besides these nearly a thousand human beings in the school, there are at least fifteen hundred other people in the south part of town, who have no church privileges, except as they go two miles uptown. This they have failed to do. We believe that if the people will not come to church it is our duty to take the church to them. The transportation is very poor and very expensive. The only way to go is either walk or pay ten cents each way in a Taxi, and these can never be depended upon, as they make outside trips.

Rev. B. C. Cook organized a Sunday School some three months ago, which has an enrollment of nearly one hundred. Then we organized a Baptist church, which now has thirty members, four for baptism, besides many others have sent for their letters, to join with us. Bro. Cook resigned this work, and Rev. A. C. Johnson now has it in charge. We are expecting to start a revival soon. A lot has been promised to us for our building, which we hope soon to erect. We want to say that Bro. Cook did a very fine work here. And we were sorry to have him leave us but he felt that an outsider could do a better work in this field. We believe that the church securing Bro. Cook for pastor will be exceptionally fortunate. He is a faithful pastor, and a splendid gospel preacher.

There are in Pascagoula at least four hundred and fifty Baptists. The First church has about one hundred fifty of these and we have thirty. Surely this is a place where mission money can be profitably used.

Yours in Christ,  
MRS. E. E. BURNS.

## A LITTLE SERMON.

Never a day is lost, dear.  
If at night you can truly say  
You've done one kindly deed, dear,  
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earnest citizen that an expense for a road or school shall not be incurred. Such expenses are within your control and are your responsibility. They are responsible for three-fourths of the total tax in Mississippi.

The Legislature has lowered the General County Fund Tax Rate two mills. With the same assessment that you had for 1921, the taxes would be twenty percent less. There is no way that you can increase the land assessment enough to offset the decrease in the tax rate. This is all the more important that you hold the personal assessment up. There will be a large reduction in county taxes regardless of the personal assessment; for it cannot be increased enough to make up for

the reduction of State Taxes, which will be occasioned by the reduction by the Legislature in the State Tax Rate for 1922; for the reduction applies to the assessment of lands, which is far larger than the personal assessment.

Please do not increase any assessment, which is rendered for the value of the property; justice, no doubt, would demand a reduction of such an assessment. This Commission urges you to increase the assessments by increasing only the undervaluations and by adding to the rolls property which has been omitted therefrom. By all means, make the assessments as nearly equal as you can, according to the actual value of the property.

When you increase the assessments,

if you have backbone like this fish had, you will not tell the tax-payer when he complains: "Well, my friend I did not want to increase your assessment, but that Tax Commission at Jackson forced us to do so"; but, you will tell him: "You know that we have not assessed your property for more than it is worth and have not assessed it for a greater proportion to value than the property of your neighbors, and I do not propose to favor you by an assessment, which would be unfair to the other taxpayers."

There may be some Supervisors with seventy feet of backbone. We are not at all interested in what excuse you offer for doing your sworn duty. We, in good faith, urge you to

do your full duty, and we propose to co-operate with you, if you will do so. WE WILL TAKE THE RESPONSIBILITY, IF YOU WILL DO YOUR DUTY. We do not wish to be confronted with the unpleasant duty of compelling you to make an increase in your assessments in September; so do your duty now, and such unpleasant duty will not fall to our shoulders, and you will not be compelled to change the assessments, under disadvantages.

Thanking you for giving this matter your careful consideration, I am, Yours very truly,

D. L. THOMPSON,  
Chairman of State Tax  
Commission.  
Jackson, Mississippi.

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